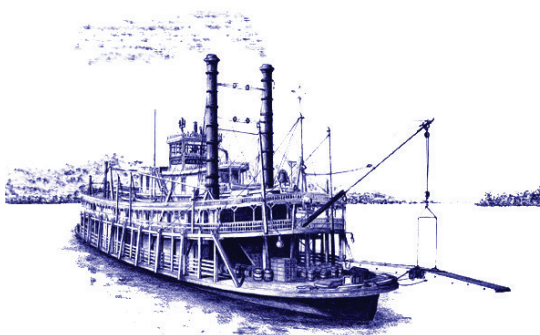


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Council OKs resolution on \$4.9M bond issue

Opposition high for riverfront apartments

BY MARK CAMPBELL

Madison City Council approved a resolution that will allow the city's Redevelopment Commission to issue up to \$4.9 million in Tax Incremental Revenue Bonds that will be used to help develop two private housing projects and two city parks.

The bonds, which would be issued for up to 10 years at an interest rate not to exceed 6%, are part of the Redevelopment Commission's efforts to leverage Madison's hilltop commercial and industrial TIF zone, which expires in 2035, to address the community's housing shortage and grow the city's tax base while also upgrading two parks along the riverfront — a major overhaul of Jaycee Park as the new Damon Welch Memorial Park and development of a permanent amphitheater at Bicentennial Park.

Knowing the resolution was coming before Madison City Council at Tuesday's meeting, a standing room crowd turned out with more than a dozen residents speaking either for or against part of the proposed bond issue. At the center of the debate was opposition to a proposed multi-story, 53-unit apartment complex proposed for the former Madison Coal Company property now owned by the city at the corner of Jefferson Street and Vaughn Drive.

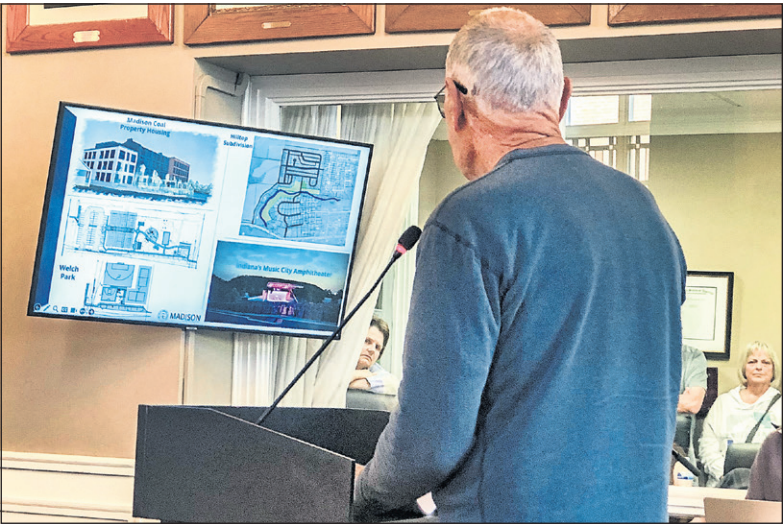
Those who support the apartment complex say it will address some of the city's housing shortage by developing more market rate rental units for those wanting to move to Madison as well

as local home owners seeking to transition to apartment life.

They also contend that the apartments, along with a new hilltop subdivision with single family homes — as well as a two-phased development of up to 186 apartments at the Residences at Sunrise Crossing on the hilltop — will create a ripple of housing opportunities in the community at all price points and help Madison attract new residents and retain young families who are leaving the city because housing is in such short supply.

Those who oppose the apartment development say it will detract from the recreational beauty of the riverfront and undermine the integrity of the city's historic district while opening the door to other similar projects in the future to infill along the riverfront.

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Mark Campbell

Several visitors look on from the overflow room at Madison City Hall as local resident Charles Ricketts views a slide and talks about four proposals Madison City Council may issue up to \$4.9 million in redevelopment revenue bonds to provide infrastructure on an estimated \$80 million investment. An overflow crowd attended the meeting with most opposing a multistory apartment complex at Jefferson Street and Vaughn Drive on the riverfront.



Bob Demaree

A worker for EnviroScape was busy Thursday morning preparing to resod an area around the pool deck at Crystal Beach Aquatic Park. The pool, still cleaning up after Ohio River flooding in April, will be ready to open on Memorial Day, Monday, May 26.

Flooding 'devastated' Madison's riverfront parks; cleanup continues

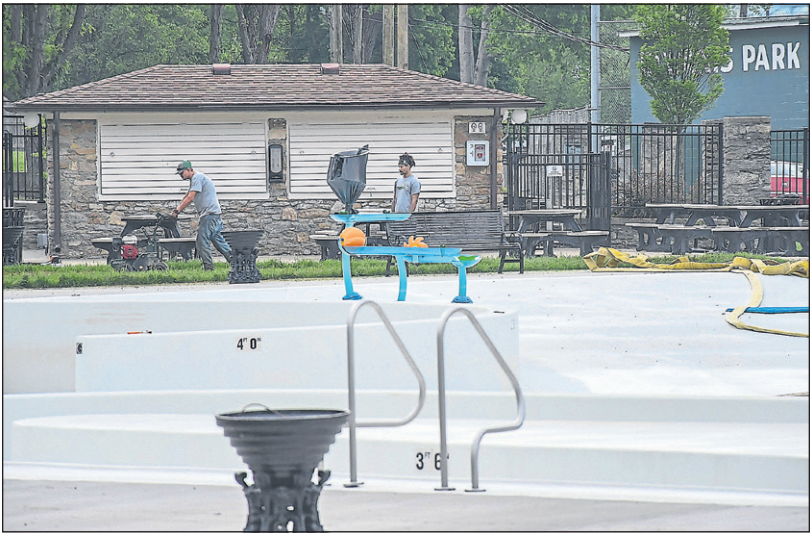
Crystal Beach to open May 26, Campground on May 23

BY BOB DEMAREE

The recovery operation from flooding in April has occupied the Madison Parks and Recreation Department over the last month with the clean-up effort being led by Christian Hanson, the city's superintendent of grounds.

Tanya Burnette, director of operations for the Parks Department, provided an update at Wednesday's Madison's Parks Board meeting in which she characterized the flooding as having "devastated a lot of our parks along the riverfront. We're on the fifth week now of flood recovery, and I can't say enough about the team the parks has pulled together to get that work done."

Burnette said April is already the busiest month of the year for the Parks Department due to preparation for summer events, work that Sunrise Golf Pro Roger



Bob Demaree

Madison Parks Department maintenance crews have been busy with cleanup operations in the weeks since Ohio River flooding devastated the city's parks along Vaughn Drive. A crew was busy at the Crystal Beach Aquatic Park on Thursday morning. Christian Hanson, the city's superintendent of grounds, said the pool will be ready to open on Memorial Day, Monday, May 26.

Gallatin, Event Coordinator Brett Ricketts and Athletic Director Whitney Burdzilauskas have carried on.

Meanwhile, she said Hanson has "taken the lead and stepped up to oversee the flood remediation" for Crystal Beach Aquatic Park, Riverview Campground, and all the city parks along the riverfront by working "night and day for five weeks."

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Petition to revoke permit delays decision on Lost Trails Campground

BY BOB DEMAREE

A decision by the Jefferson County Board of Zoning Appeals on the continuing operation of the Lost Trails Campground was tabled at Tuesday's meeting until June following a filing to revoke the owner's current conditional use permit.

In April, the Board of Zoning Appeals tabled a

conditional use permit for the campground that was required after a transfer in ownership, revisiting a BZA action from September 2021 that approved the conditional use permit for the campground owned by Sam Simons on 44.548 acres at 4004 North Old State Road 62 in Madison Township.

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CHARLIE'S BEAT



Emmanuel Fields

Kentucky Wild Horse band members (from left) are Grant Curless, Nadia Ramlagan, John Harrod, Tona Barkley, and Blakeley Burger.

Appalachian experience at Red Bicycle Hall

As often happens with these weekly stories, they start out ostensibly about a musical act or a musician, and then the narrative broadens when I uncover the local people and personalities behind the scene who instigate and agitate for their favorite players. Such is the case this week, so let's first begin with the musician.

On Saturday at Red

Bicycle Hall a band called Kentucky Wild Horse will be playing, led by a man named John Harrod. And if that name Harrod seems familiar, that's because of the wide impact of Harrods in Kentucky history over the years, including historic Harrodsburg and its connection to Daniel Boone, and Harrod's Creek over in Louisville.



CHARLIE ROHLFING
CHARLIE'S BEAT

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INDOT announces SR 356 closing beginning next week

Indiana Department of Transportation has announced a road closure impacting State Road 356 in Jefferson County on or after Monday, May 12.

INDOT Contractor E&B Paving Inc. is scheduled to close State Road 356 approximately 3 miles west of State Road 62 with an expected reopening in mid-June, weather permitting. The closure will take place between South Hunter Road and County Road West 350 South located between Lexington and Swanville. During the closure, motorists should use the official detour route which follows State Road 203 to State Road 56 to State Road 62.

The work is part of a contract awarded to E&B in

September 2024. INDOT asks drivers to slow down, use extra caution, and avoid distractions when traveling in and near work zones. All work is weather-dependent and schedules are subject to change.

SPEED LIMIT CHANGE

INDOT is scheduled to reduce the speed limit on State Road 256 on or after Monday, May 12, in Jefferson County.

The speed limit will decrease from 55 mph to 45 mph on State Road 256 from State Road 3 to State Road 56. The existing 40 mph speed limit through Kent will not change.

The reduced speed limit is intended to help improve safety along State Road 256.

Fire damages November Street home in Hanover

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Fire damaged a house in the 200 block of November Street in Hanover at about 3:45 p.m. Wednesday.

Firefighters who responded from Hanover Township Volunteer Fire Department saw thick black smoke visible from a distance away, alerting them to the conditions they would find on arrival, according to a report by Cory Thomas, a member of the Hanover Fire Department. Because of that, prior to arrival, Hanover Fire Chief Ron Kroger Jr. requested assistance from Kent Fire Department.

Upon arrival, firefighters found a single story home with heavy fire coming from the attached garage and extending to the roof. They attacked the fire directly from the exterior of the garage and were able to cool the bulk of the fire in the garage. Units made entry into the home to check for extension and found the fire had burned its way into the attic space and was extending through the void space over the firefighters' heads.

Thomas said several factors aided the fire in remaining hidden while firefighters were battling to its spread.

Thermal imaging from a drone from the Jefferson County Emergency Management Agency was used to help identify the areas where the fire was concealed. Once electricity was disconnected from the house, firefighters were able to work more safely inside the structure and

located several hot spots that were causing much of the trouble. The cause of the fire is currently under investigation.

Thomas said the main structure of the house is intact but there was extensive damage to the attic. He said the roof was burned over 90% of the house, and will need to be rebuilt, along with the garage, if the house is to be salvaged. All of the ceilings had to the pulled to expose the fire. There was also extensive water damage throughout the house.

Hanover Fire Department received assistance from Kent Fire Department, Deputy Fire Department, Jefferson County EMA, Jefferson County 911 Dispatch, Hanover Police Department, Norton King's Daughters' EMS, Hanover Utility Department, and Indiana State Fire Marshall Investigation Division.

DAMAGE MINOR IN BIG DOE RUN ROAD FIRE

Another fire was reported at 6:15 p.m. on Monday in the 3500 block of Big Doe Run Road in Milton Township and the Brooksburg-Milton Township and Rykers Ridge fire departments responded. Upon arrival, the fire had been extinguished by the homeowner. Firefighters used a thermal imaging camera to scan the room for any hidden fire and none was found. Damage was minimal.

Norton KDH EMTs treated a male subject at the scene for burns to his hand, but he was not transported.

NEWS OF RECORD

JEFFERSON COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER

LODGINGS
May 5, 2025

Westley Dylan Ledbetter, 37, Madison, for Possession of Methamphetamine, a Level 4 felony; Obstruction of Justice, Unlawful Possession or Use of a Legend Drug and Possession of a Syringe, all Level 6 felonies; and Possession of Marijuana and Possession of a Schedule Drug, both Class A misdemeanors. No bond.

Bradley Aaron Potter, 35, Madison, Arson-Bodily Injury and Battery-Aggravated, both Level 3 felonies; Domestic Battery With a Deadly Weapon, a Level 5 felony; and Criminal Recklessness, a Level 6 felony. Bond \$30,000 cash.

April M. Pursifull, 45, Madison, to serve 18 days jail, consecutive, on a court-ordered sentencing. No bond.

Christa Robin Skirvin, 52, Madison, for Escape, a Level 5 felony. No bond.

Charli Kay Kahn Stookey, 29, Madison, to serve 50 days jail, concurrent, on a court-ordered sentencing. No bond.

Mariah Ida Zoeller, 25, for Possession of Methamphetamine, a Level 4 felony; Unlawful Possession or Use of a Legend Drug and Possession of a Syringe, both Level 6 felonies; Possession of a Schedule Drug, a Class A misdemeanor; and Possession of Marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor. No bond.

May 7, 2025

Curtis Alan Large, 39, Madison, on a warrant for Probation Violation. Bond \$5,000 cash.

Joni Marie Waters, 47, Hanover, on a Jefferson County warrant for Failure to Appear. Bond \$500 cash.

JEFFERSON COUNTY CIRCUIT & SUPERIOR COURT

SENTENCINGS
May 5, 2025

Victorino Rose, 63, Crothersville, Indiana, to an amended charge of Trafficking With An Inmate, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days jail with credit for 6 days jail served and 359 days suspended to supervised probation consecutive to any parole or probation defendant is currently serving plus \$289 in fees and court costs.

Nathan Robert Sommer, 40, Hanover, for Operating While Intoxicated, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days jail, all suspended except for 5 actual days jail. Placed on supervised probation

for 360 days consecutive to 545 days suspended sentence for separate felony intimidation conviction plus \$589.50 in fees and court costs with driver's license suspended 180 days.

Charli Kay Kahn Stookey, 29, Madison, to an amended charge of Possession of Legend Drug, a Level 5 felony. Sentenced to 1,095 days at Indiana Department of Correction, all suspended to supervised probation plus \$589 in fees and court costs.

Patrick Ian Broyles, 24, Madison, for Resisting Law Enforcement, a Class A misdemeanor; and Battery, a Class B misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days jail on the Class A misdemeanor consecutive to 180 days jail on the Class B misdemeanor. All suspended except for 70 days jail served. Placed on 475 days supervised probation plus \$389 in fees and court costs.

Mateo Nopal-Mendoza, 38, Hanover, to an amended charge of Operating Without a Valid License, a Class C misdemeanor. Sentenced to 2 days jail, served, plus \$189.50 in fees and court costs.

Elodia Cayetona Perez, 22, Hanover, for Operating Without a Valid License, a Class C misdemeanor. Sentenced to 60 days, jail with credit for 2 days jail served and placed on 180 days supervised probation plus \$289.50 in fees and court costs. Probation may terminate upon proof of a valid driver's license.

Katrina Dawn Brown, 27, Madison, for Possession of Marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor and Operating While Intoxicated, a Class C misdemeanor. Sentenced to zero days jail plus \$389 in fees and court costs.

Santos Sifuentes, 27, Madison, for Possession of Marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor and Operating While Intoxicated, a Class C misdemeanor. Sentenced to zero days jail on the Class B misdemeanor consecutive to 60 days jail on the Class C misdemeanor, with credit for 2 days jail served and placed on 180 days supervised probation plus \$689.50 in fees and court costs and 60-day loss of driver's license consecutive to one year refusal suspension.

May 6, 2025

Kayla Danielle Hager, 36, Milton, Kentucky, to amended charges of Possession of Methamphetamine and Theft, both Level 6 felonies. Sentenced to 365 days at Indiana Department of Correction on the drug charge with credit for 2 days jail served, consecutive to 365 days on the theft charge, all suspended. Placed on supervised probation for 728 days plus \$989 in fees

and court costs.

Stephany Embers, 52, Carrollton, Kentucky, for Theft, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 12 days jail, served, plus \$289 in fees and court costs.

Travis Michael Crum, 25, Charlestown, Indiana, for Theft, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days jail, all suspended to supervised probation plus \$389 in fees and court costs.

Jeremy Wade Mikesell, 38, Dupont, Indiana, for Failure to Report to Lawful Detention, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 300 days at Indiana Department of Correction, fully executed at the county jail, with credit for 24 days jail served but consecutive to revocation of 150 days probation on prior conviction for driving while suspended, plus \$389 in fees and court costs.

John Raymond Quest, 61, Madison, for Failure to Register as a Sex Offender, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 730 days at Indiana Department of Correction, fully executed, with credit for 144 days jail served, plus \$389 in fees and court costs.

Howard J. Smith Sr., 66, Madison, for Invasion of Privacy, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 180 days jail, all suspended to 166 days supervised probation except for 20 days executed with credit for 14 days served but consecutive to revocation of 26 days parole in prior misdemeanor criminal trespass conviction, plus \$389 in fees and court costs and No Contact Order to remain in effect.

William Tyler Gee, 24, Clarksville, Indiana, to an amended charge of Possession of Methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 730 days at Indiana Department of Correction, all suspended except for 42 day served and placed on supervised probation for 688 days plus \$989 in fees and court costs.

Christian A. Milburn, 28, Madison, for Possession of Methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 365 days at Indiana Department of Correction, fully executed, with credit for 66 days jail served; plus \$789 in fees and court costs.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

JEFFERSON COUNTY
May 2, 2025

Matalin N. Staser-Miller to Colton White, 5545 South 850 West, Lexington.

Donald J. Sommer to David Shawn Grant, 5748 West Hensler Road, Hanover.

Pamela L. Rickerson and

Pamela L. Hall (now known) to Nicole Bentley and Karen Wallace, 2540 Franks Drive, Madison.

Bobby Cook to Ryan Vaughan and Kelsey Craddock, 421 Cedarwood Drive, Madison.

Karen Sue Amick to Karen Sue Amick and William J. Corbin, 2942 Oak Hill Court, Madison.

Michael Burns and Jerri Burns to Gabrielle Hammersley, 804 Walnut Street, Madison.

James Massie and Loretta Massie to Trumpy's General Contracting LLC and Trumpys General Contracting LLC, 1225 Esplano Drive, Madison.

Lisa M. Hall, Ronald L. Chandler and Mary M. Chandler to Ronald L. Chandler, Mary M. Chandler and Chandler Family Trust, 2020 Michigan Road, Madison.

Lisa M. Hall, Ronald L. Chandler and Mary M. Chandler to Lisa M. Hall, 2020 Michigan Road, Madison.

May 5, 2025

Ronald C. Kroger Jr. to Ronald C. Kroger III, 11398 West State Road 56, Lexington.

Paul L. Brewster Jr. and Kristen E. Brewster to Brian Gall and Elizabeth Gall, 4664+ North Olive Branch Road, Madison.

Christine A. Harrington and Christine A. Harrington Revocable Trust Agreement to James Schafer and Donna M. Schafer, 32 acres at 4828 North Turkey Branch Road, Madison.

Jennifer L. Mills to Agust Eiriksson, 803 West Second Street, Madison.

Brenda Adams and Donald Hyden to Timothy Marvin Clark and Scott J. Lawson, 6451 North Rector Road, Madison.

May 7, 2025

Tyler Creighton Jones and Maleha Ann Jones to JMT Holdings LLC, 702 West Main Street, Madison.

Kaleb J. Malcom and Kacie C. Malcom to Makayla Hall and Taylor May, 324 Cedarwood Drive, Madison.

Liter's of Indiana Inc. and Liters of Indiana Inc. to Phillips Development Inc., 130 Greene Court, Madison.

Liter's of Indiana Inc. and Liters of Indiana Inc. to Phillips Development Inc., 140 Greene Court, Madison.

Todd J. Bruther and Todd J. Bruther Revocable Trust to KC Estates LLC, 1109 Michigan Road, Madison.

Matthew A. Patterson and Kari L. Patterson to Stephen F. Eberwine and Amy Eberwine, 919 West Second Street, Madison.

William J. Fialko and Cheryl A. Fialko to Olivia Smith and Nicholas Smith, 6042 South 550 West, Hanover.

PETITION

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The petition to revoke the permit was filed last week by John Muessel, who owns property adjacent to the campground, based on his claims that Simons hasn't lived up to the requirements of the conditional use permit approved by the County BZA on Sept. 7, 2021.

BZA President David Ferguson started the meeting by saying there had been a "request to revoke the conditional use permit from the current permit,"

recommending a decision be tabled because a public hearing must be advertised before it can be conducted, and there wasn't time to do that before Tuesday's meeting.

Just before the BZA began to adjourn what seemed to be a brief meeting, Simons spoke up, expressing that revocation of the personal use permit is a separate matter than the application filed previously for the new conditional use permit. "We have a pending special use exception" that he said "stands by itself. If we get to this meeting, and I've met all the criteria, and you approve it,

that would kind of make" moot the request to revoke, "it would seem to me."

Simons, who is listed as an attorney since 1987 on the Indiana State Bar Association website, suggested that even while tabling a decision on revoking the original conditional use permit, the board could still consider the pending conditional use permit. "We have a lot of folks here that are attending here, and took a lot of time to be here" which Simons said could correct information from the last meeting that he characterized as false testimony given by others. "I think it's essential that this meeting go forward to clear the air."

Patrick Magrath, attorney for the county's BZA

and Plan Commission, told Simons the only agenda before the board at Tuesday's meeting was the conditional use permit for the campground. "The revocation was not on the agenda for today because there hadn't been sufficient notice to put it on the agenda, and you hadn't received sufficient notice to respond to it, so procedurally I recommended this board shouldn't go forward on the revocation on that basis."

Magrath said, "If the county has before it two opposite actions, one to revoke a conditional use permit, the other the current application for special exception," that are "overlapping," the county can't make inconsistent findings

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WEATHER

Sunrise: 6:33 a.m.
Sunset: 8:43 p.m.
Temperature: High 71, Low 45, Mean 58.0, Deficit 7.6
Precipitation since last published: Trace
Precipitation, May 2025: 2.09
Precipitation, 2025: 26.96

Barometer: 29.93, Rising
River Level at Clifty Creek: 434.05, Falling
Forecast: Saturday: Sunny High 76/Low 50; Sunday: Mostly sunny High 81/Low 56; Monday: Mostly cloudy High 81/Low 62; Tuesday: Showers High 74/Low 61.

LOTTERY

INDIANA
Hoosier Lotto: 2-13-14-25-42-44 (5/7). Estimated Jackpot: \$3.4 million. Next Drawing (5/10).
Cash Five: 7-8-33-37-42 (5/7)
Cash 4 Life: 18-21-24-45-56 CB: 4 (5/7)
KENTUCKY
Cash Ball: 10-11-14-29 CB 10 (5/7)
Lucky For Life: 5-7-37-39-46 LB: 15 (5/7)

MEGAMILLIONS: 16-17-43-46-58 MB:16 (5/6). Next Jackpot: \$100 million.Next Drawing (5/9)
POWERBALL: 14-15-30-40-59 PB: 20, PP 3 (5/7). Next Estimated Jackpot: \$82 million. Next Drawing (5/10)
POWERBALL DOUBLE PLAY: 9-31-32-50-57 PB: 14 (5/7). Next Estimated Jackpot: Up to \$10 million. Next Drawing (5/10)

BIRTHDAYS

Editor's Note: Got a birthday or anniversary coming up? Send name, date and number of years (optional) to zelda@madisoncourier.com or call 812-265-3641. Please leave your name and phone number in case we have followup questions.

BIRTHDAYS
May 10
Kevin Yancey
May 11
Tracy Keller Green

May 13
Jimmy Butters
Cathy Corbin
Liz Stigdon
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Aspen Marshall
Haven Marshall
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Robert Black
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OBITUARIES

Terry Delbert Groves



Terry Delbert Groves, age 82 of Madison, IN, entered this life on April 10, 1943, in Madison, IN. He was the loving son of the late Delbert Herschel and Mildred Beatrice Konkle Groves. He grew up in Canaan, attended Central High School on Ryker’s Ridge, then went to the new Madison Consolidated High School, where he graduated in 1961. He was united in marriage to Judy Diane Sanders on June 14, 1962, at the First Baptist Church in downtown Madison. This happy union of nearly 63 years was blessed with a son, Rick, and two daughters, Beth and Susan. Terry worked early in life for Chainbelt, Randalls, and Barber Grocery Company for several years. He worked at the Madison State Hospital in the fire safety and security department for 30 years before retiring in 2005. In his earlier years, he enjoyed raising tobacco, and gardening, on his farm. A lifelong resident of the Canaan community, Terry served on the Canaan Volunteer Fire Department, where he held President and

Chief positions. He was a member of the Indian-Kentuck Baptist Church where he held the position of Deacon, Sunday School Teacher and Sunday School Superintendent. In his younger years he enjoyed hunting mushrooms, turkey, and quail. He also liked fishing in his younger years with the annual trips to Laughery Creek. He was a fan of basketball, especially Indiana University, and Cincinnati Reds baseball. He loved spending time with his grandchildren, and had a great love for listening to Old Country, Bluegrass, and Gospel music. Terry taught himself to play the guitar and liked to write songs. He enjoyed playing church league softball and later coached

little league baseball. Terry had attended the Madison Regatta Hydroplane Races since the early 1960’s and tried to every year since. He had a motto: “If you couldn’t say something nice about someone, then don’t say anything at all”. Terry died on Saturday, May 3, 2025, at 7:28 p.m., at the Norton King’s Daughters’ Hospital in Madison, IN. Terry will be missed by his loving wife of nearly 63 years, Judy Diane Sanders Groves of Madison, IN; his son, Ricky Joe Groves and his wife Darla of Madison, IN; his daughters, Beth Ann Truesdell and her husband Randy of Madison, IN, and Susan Rea Schildt and her husband Jim of Louisville, KY; his grandchildren, Kaitlin Kampwerth and her husband, Nathan, Brady Adler, Matt, and Megan Schildt; his great-grandchildren, Josie and Emmy Kampwerth; his step-grandchildren, Jerad Perry and his wife Cirstyn, Kayla St. John and her husband, Cody, and Kylie Truesdell; his step-great-grandchildren, Bentley and Carter

Perry; several nieces, nephews and other relatives. He was preceded in death by his father, Delbert Herschel Groves, and his mother, Mildred Beatrice Konkle Groves. Funeral services will be conducted on Friday, May 9, 2025 at 11 a.m., by Pastor Ed Roberts at the Indian-Kentuck Baptist Church, 4413 East, 925 North in Canaan, IN. Interment will follow in the Canaan Cemetery in Canaan, IN. Friends may visit Thursday, May 8, 2025, from 4 — 7 p.m., at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, IN, and on Friday, from 10 a.m., until time of the service at the Indian-Kentuck Baptist Church, 4413 East, 925 North in Canaan, IN. Memorial contributions may be made to the Indian-Kentuck Baptist Church. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover, or at the church. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials, can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

Deadly April rainfall intensified by climate change

BY ISABELLA O’MALLEY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Human-caused climate change intensified deadly rainfall in Arkansas, Kentucky, Tennessee and other states in early April and made those storms more likely to occur, according to an analysis released Thursday by the World Weather Attribution group of scientists. The series of storms unleashed tornadoes, strong winds and extreme rainfall in the central Mississippi Valley region from April 3-6 and caused at least 24 deaths. Homes, roads and vehicles were inundated and 15 deaths were likely caused by catastrophic floods. The WWA analysis found that climate change increased rainfall intensity in the storms by 9% and made them 40% more likely compared to probability of such events in the pre-industrial age climate. Some of the moisture that fueled the storms came from the Gulf of Mexico, where water temperatures were abnormally warm by 1.2°C (2.2°F) compared to pre-industrial temperatures. That warming was made 14 times more likely due to climate change, according to the researchers from universities and meteorological agencies in the United States and Europe. Rapid analyses from the WWA use peer-reviewed methods to study an extreme weather event and distill it down to the factors that caused it. This approach lets scientists analyze which contributing factors had the biggest influence and how the event could have played out in a world without climate change. The analysis found a rainfall event of April’s intensity could occur in the central Mississippi Valley region about once every 100 years. Even heavier downpours are expected to hit the region in the future unless the world rapidly slashes emissions of polluting gases such as carbon dioxide

and methane that causes temperatures to rise, the study said. “That one in 100 years ... is likely to go down to once every few decades,” said Ben Clarke, a researcher at the Centre for Environmental Policy at Imperial College London and the study’s lead author. “If we continue to burn fossil fuels, events like this will not only continue to occur, but they’ll keep getting more dangerous.” Heavier and more persistent rainfall is expected with climate change because the atmosphere holds more moisture as it warms. Warming ocean temperatures result in higher evaporation rates, which means more moisture is available to fuel storms. Forecast information and weather alerts from the National Weather Service communicated the risks of the April heavy rain days in advance, which the WWA says likely reduced the death toll. But workforce and budget cuts made by the Trump administration have left nearly half of NWS offices with 20% vacancy rates or higher, raising concerns for public safety during future extreme weather events and the upcoming Atlantic hurricane season that officially begins June 1.

“If we start cutting back on these offices or reducing the staff ... the unfortunate result is going to be more death. We’re going to have more people dying because the warnings are not going to get out, the warnings are not going to be as fine-tuned as they are today,” said Randall Cervený, a climate professor at Arizona State University who was not involved in the study. The Associated Press’ climate and environmental coverage receives financial support from multiple private foundations. AP is solely responsible for all content. Find AP’s standards for working with philanthropies, a list of supporters and funded coverage areas at AP.org.

Vera Lee Walters



“He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.” — **Revelation 21:4**

Vera Lee Walters, age 92, of Dupont, IN, and the daughter of the late Harry and Irene (Willman) Greenhill, was born on June 10, 1932, in Louisville, KY. After graduating high school, she began working at the Madison State Hospital in the kitchen. On Oct. 5, 1949, she was united in marriage to Delbert “Bo” Walters and they enjoyed almost 43 wonderful years together. Shortly after their wedding, Bo and Vera were blessed with two children: Rick and Pamela. While raising their children, Vera began her career at Grote Industries

where she worked for over 30 years until her retirement. She was a believer in Jesus Christ and faithfully served the church alongside her husband who became a pastor in the 1960’s. Vera was the centerpiece of the family and cooked many wonderful meals for their gatherings. She enjoyed spending time on the riverfront with her husband and watching old western movies.

She was an avid reader, especially of her Bible and was committed to praying for others even when she was ill herself. Mrs. Walters passed away on Monday, April 28, 2025 at the Norton Hospital in Louisville. Her life will be cherished by her children: Rick Walters of Dupont and Pamela Jackson and her husband, Gary of Dupont; her grandchildren: Catrina Bell and her husband, Keith of Dupont, Ross Lutz of Columbus, IN, and Carrie Duke and her husband, Andrew of Madison, IN; her great grandchildren: Kris Bell and his wife, Haley of Seymour, IN, Brittany Lutz of KY, Meghan Lutz of KY, Autumn Brierly and her husband, Chris of Dupont, Summer

Albus of Dupont, Peanut Albus of Dupont, Jackson Albus of Dupont, and Aiyla Duke of Madison; her great great grandchildren: Kylee Bell, Kinzlee Bell, Oliver Brierly, and Olyvia Brierly; and several nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Pastor Delbert “Bo” Walters who passed away on April 16, 1992; and her siblings: Margaret Phillips, Charles Greenhill, Raymond Phillips, and Rita Booth. At her request, no services will be held. Lytle Welty Funeral Home & Cremation Service, Vail Chapel is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences can be made at www.lytlewelty.com.

DEATH NOTICES

Vicki J. Ashby, 75, of Madison, IN, died Monday, May 5, 2025 at her residence in Madison. Cremation was chosen with no services to be held. Arrangements by Lytle Welty Funeral Home & Cremation Service, Vail Chapel, in Madison, www.lytlewelty.com.
Captain Jeannie Lee Batto, 51, of Madison, IN, died Friday, May 2, 2025, at her home in downtown Madison of an aggressive form of brain cancer. A service of remembrance will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, May 31, at St. Michael the Archangel Historic Property in downtown Madison, with interment to follow at a later date in Napa, CA. Arrangements by Morgan & Nay Funeral

Centres of Madison and Hanover, IN, www.morgan-nay.com.
Robert Earl “Bob” Chase, 65, of Vevay, IN, died Wednesday, May 7, 2025, at his home in Vevay. Cremation was chosen. A celebration of life will be held at the convenience of the family. Arrangements by Haskell and Morrison Funeral Home in Vevay, www.haskellandmorrison.com.
Tamara Kay “Tammy” Armstrong Cole, 63, of Florence, IN, died Saturday, May 3, 2025, at St. Elizabeth Healthcare Edgewood in Edgewood, KY. Funeral services were Thursday, May 8, at Haskell & Morrison Funeral Home in Vevay, IN, with interment in

Eastview Cemetery at Patriot, IN, www.haskellandmorrison.com.
Sara E. Crowe, 86, of Campbellsburg, KY, died Friday, May 2, 2025, at her home. No funeral services will be held. A private celebration of life will be held at the Crowe Family Farm at a later date. Arrangements by Prewitt Funeral Home in New Castle, KY, www.prewitts.com.
James Lester “Jamie” Payne Jr., 57, of Pleasureville, KY, died unexpectedly on Tuesday, April 22, 2025, at his home of natural causes. Funeral service is 1 p.m. Saturday, May 10, at Sholar-Riley Funeral Home in Pleasureville, with burial in the Pleasureville

Cemetery there, www.sholarrileyfuneralhome.com.
Victor Hayes Proctor, 48, of Ghent, KY, died Saturday, March 18, 2025, in Ghent. No services have been scheduled at this time. Arrangements by Tandy-Eckler-Riley Funeral Home in Carrollton, KY, www.tandyecklerrileyfuneralhome.com.
Patsy Louise Stewart, 84, of Campbellsburg, KY, died Tuesday, May 6, 2025. Funeral service is at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 10, at Tandy-Eckler-Riley Funeral Home in Carrollton, KY, with burial in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Carrollton, www.tandyecklerrileyfuneralhome.com.

Cancer before age 50 is increasing across the US

New study looks at which types

BY CARLA K. JOHNSON
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Cancer before age 50 is rare, but increasing, in the United States and researchers want to know why. A new government study provides the most complete picture yet of early-onset cancers, finding that the largest increases

are in breast, colorectal, kidney and uterine cancers. Scientists from the National Cancer Institute looked at data that included more than 2 million cancers diagnosed in people 15 to 49 years old between 2010 and 2019. Of 33 cancer types, 14 cancers had increasing rates in at least one younger age group. About 63% of the early-onset cancers were among women. “These kinds of pat-

terns generally reflect something profound going on,” said Tim Rebbeck of Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, who studies cancer risk and was not involved in the research. “We need to fund research that will help us understand.” The findings were published Thursday in Cancer Discovery, a journal of the American Association for Cancer Research. How many extra can-

cers are we talking about? The researchers compared cancer rates in 2019 to what would be expected based on 2010 rates. Breast cancer made up the largest share of the excess cancers, with about 4,800 additional cases. There were 2,000 more colorectal cancers compared with what would be expected based on the 2010 rates. There were 1,800 more kidney

cancers and 1,200 additional uterine cancers. Reassuringly, death rates were not rising for most cancers in the young adult age groups, although increasing death rates were seen for colorectal, uterine and testicular cancers. Why is this happening? Explanations will take more research. The big databases used for the study don’t include information on risk factors or

access to care. Theories abound and a big meeting is planned later this year to bring together experts in the area. “Several of these cancer types are known to be associated with excess body weight and so one of the leading hypotheses is increasing rates of obesity,” said lead author Meredith Shiels of the National Cancer Institute. SEE **CANCER/PAGE A4**

Hanover begins planning sidewalk/streetscape improvements

BY BOB DEMAREE

With \$4 million earmarked for sidewalks and streetscapes in the town of Hanover from Hanover College’s \$30 million College and Collaboration Grant, planning for that work is nearer to beginning with a decision coming soon on the engineering firm that will lead the design work.

After Tuesday’s regular meeting of the Hanover Town Council, a work session was held to assess the three companies being considered — Luckett and Farley, Taylor Siefker Williams Design Group and Jacobi Toombs Lanz (JTL) in anticipation that town council will officially hire one of those firms at its next meeting Tuesday, May 20.

“There are three good firms and I think you get a good product probably out of any three of them. That’s not a bad place to start. You all did a good job picking firms, I think,” said Chip Snyder, director of community relations for Hanover College, who is overseeing administration of the Lilly Endowment grant for the college.

The sidewalk and streetscape improvements are expected to impact various parts of the town from making it safer for students walking to Southwestern schools along with a possible crosswalk

at Kuntz Road near the McDonald’s restaurant and Shell gas station — all part of the scope of work that must still be developed.

For now, Snyder said everything is in the planning stage for the work that will be done. With the Lilly Grant due to end July 31, 2029, he expects there will be two years of planning and three years of construction.

Snyder said what will be achieved for the town will impact future generations of Hanover residents. “You’re getting ready to do something that will out-live yourselves,” Snyder said.

In other business:

- Council Vice President Treva Shelton reported on work being done by JTL to address the town’s planning and zoning, funded by a \$25,000 grant from the Community Foundation of Madison and Jefferson County. Shelton said JTL President Michael Harris told her that in reviewing the town’s zoning map, a portion of the town is zoned incorrectly.
- “It’s going to be a monumental task,” she said, noting property owners will need to be contacted throughout the process of getting the map corrected. “It’s not something we

can ignore. We’ve got to do it.”

- Superintendent of Streets and Utilities Scott Williams said representatives of Dollar General have submitted plans for a proposed store at 4152 West State Road 56 next to Fast Pace Health that had already been zoned business.

In 2023, there was an application to locate a Dollar General at 4146 West State Road 56, but that required a zoning amendment from residential to business that failed to receive approval due to concerns over traffic dangers in the area near Kuntz Road. With the neighboring address already zoned business, there was no action to be taken, allowing Dollar General to build at 4152 West State Road 56 if the project continues to move forward.

- Due to safety concerns during the dropoff and pick-up of students at Southwestern Schools, the town recently established no parking zones on Clifford Duke Drive, Jackson Lane, Joe’s Lane, Locust Street, Meadow Lane, Sharon Court, Sharon Drive, Smith Lane, Spruce Lane, First Street, Second Street and Third Street.

On May 1, parking fines began being issued. Two town residents were at the meeting to ask about the fines, and Council President Debbie Kroger said

the town council felt action was needed because “we’ve had animals run over and kids almost hit (by vehicles) ... When people start getting hurt and animals start getting killed, you have to deal with it.”

Kroger encouraged the residents to attend a future meeting of Southwestern School Board to request a better plan for arrivals and dismissals.

“The streets are our responsibility. The school traffic is theirs,” said Shelton.

- Approved \$77,520 from Lilly Endowment funds through the College and Collaboration Grant for the total cost to replace seven light poles in the parking lot at Hanover Community Park that have been in use since the 1970s and need to be replaced. Cost for the light poles is \$57,840 from North Electric, but there are additional costs for labor and materials.
- Approved \$12,000 for slip-lining to seal pipelines and keep out roots that affect discharge flow. Previously there had been \$90,000 earmarked for the slip-lining from State Revolving Fund contingency funds left over by the sewer project completed for the town and the college. However, it was determined that only \$78,000 in SRF funds remains

so the other \$12,000 must come from the town’s sewer fund.

- Approved \$8,560 for chip grinding at the town garage for limbs and trees that will be converted into mulch.
- Public hearings are being scheduled for the council’s Tuesday, May 20 meeting at 6 p.m. related to implementation of a monthly stormwater fee and a water rate increase.

The town is moving towards creating a stormwater utility funded by a stormwater fee, a necessity if the town is to receive grant funding to address stormwater problem areas. The change in the water rates is due to Kent Water Company last year increasing the town’s wholesale rate for purchasing water.

- Issued a reminder concerning two separate weeks coming up for Clean Up Hanover — May 10-18 and June 7-15. There will be dumpsters at the Hanover Compost Center, a free service to residents living in town limits. A current year compost permit can be obtained at Hanover Town Hall, 11 North Madison Avenue, and must be presented when using the Compost Center at 334 Lowery Lane. Residents living within Hanover’s 2-mile buffer zone may also use the service with the purchase of a \$35 compost permit.

Record 614 signed up for Hanover summer youth leagues

BY BOB DEMAREE

Another year and another record for participation for Hanover Parks Department’s baseball and softball leagues with 614 signed up for play this summer on 57 total teams.

Hanover Parks Director Scott Davidson provided an update at Tuesday’s Hanover Parks Board meeting on the new season of youth leagues that begins Monday, May 19 at Hanover Community Park with opening ceremonies

beginning at 5:30 p.m.

This year’s total participation is a 12.2% increase — 67 more youth — over last year’s previous record of 547 with 49 teams, growing from 498 youth and 42 teams in 2023, 340 youth and 31 teams in 2022 and 300 youth and 31 teams in 2021.

Davidson said revenue from sponsorships so far totals \$18,350 and includes seven \$500 sponsors. “I greatly appreciate the overwhelming support of our

recreational baseball and softball programs from the families that sign their kids up to our over 180 volunteer coaches to our community partners who help finance, our part time staff and our park board,” he said. “Kids deserve this opportunity to play and perhaps even fall in love with a sport and create memories that will last a lifetime. I truly think parents want it for their kids, too. Nothing beats sitting at a ball field rooting for your favorite

team player, enjoying the atmosphere and having a hot dog and bag of popcorn.”

Davidson, who joined the Hanover Parks Department in November 2020, said, “The reason I do what I do is simple because when I was a kid someone did it for me. Someone spent countless hours prepping fields, organizing leagues, dealing with parents and more all so me and others like me could play and fall in love with a game.”

Hanover is also offering an intermediate league for 13-14 year olds with sign ups continuing through Friday, May 16. So far 16 have registered for that league.

Allen Manning of the Jefferson County Veterans Council attended the meeting to discuss plans for the veterans garden in Hanover, noting that the Veterans Council is “on board” for whatever the town council (which is also the parks board) decides on as a location for the garden, which

most recently has been suggested for Fireman’s Park.

“We will work with” wherever it’s decided the garden will go. He did suggest that a more visible location might be the Hanover branch of the Jefferson County Public Library, located just off State Road 56 on Madison Avenue.

In other business, Davidson announced the Hanover Parks Department will sponsor a softball clinic June 5-6 and a soccer camp June 17-19.

CALENDAR

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Enjoy a “wagonette” ride from the parking area.

Goatagua

Community Art Center
217 Ferry St., Vevay
Saturday, May 10, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Goatagua is a Vevay Community Art Fair at the Community Art Center to meet local artists and work with them to create your own art.

FUNDRAISERS

Southwestern Food Pantry Car Show

Southwestern High School
167 Main Cross St., Hanover
Saturday, May 10, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

Fundraiser for Southwestern High School Food Pantry. \$20 registration 9 a.m.-noon. Awards around 3 p.m. Canned food donations accepted. Rain date May 10. First 50 cars receive a dash plaque and goody bag. Top 20 and specialty class awards.

La Casa Amiga Drive By Hispanic Dinner

Eggleston Community Center
419 East Street
Saturday, May 10, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Meal pick up will be at the corner of East Third Street and East Street. Cost is \$12 per meal with all proceeds supporting La Casa Amiga to fund free programs for children and adults. Four meal choices available including

Mexican, Central American, Venezuelan and Vegetarian. Individually there will be Pozole (pork) stew at \$4, Aguas frescas at \$3, and Chips/Salsa at \$3. Buy tickets at the door or purchase before to guarantee preferred menu item.

FOOD DISTRIBUTIONS

Salvation Army Food Bank

331 East Main St., Madison
Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays Noon-1 p.m.

A food giveaway at the red door on east side of building. Bring your own bags.

For more information, call 812-265-2157.

House of Hope Food Pantry

100 East 2nd St., Madison
Tuesdays 5-7 p.m.; Fridays 9-11 a.m.

A food giveaway and distribution at the Jefferson County House of Hope Food Pantry in downtown Madison. Please arrive at the pantry 15 minutes prior to closing to be served.

North Madison Christian Church Food Pantry

1400 East State Road 62
Saturday, April 26 — 8-10 a.m.

A food distribution at the church on the fourth Saturday of each month (with the exception of holidays). Free with no qualifications.

CLOTHING DISTRIBUTIONS

Jesus Clothes Closet

Trinity United Methodist Church
412 W. Main St., Madison
Mondays, 9-11 a.m.

Jesus Clothes Closet distributes free clothing to those in need.

For more information, call 812-866-4843.

SENIOR EVENTS

Hanover Senior Citizens Center

Exercising: The Hanover Senior Citizens Program is offering free exercising at the Hanover Park Community Center on Mondays and Thursdays, 10 a.m.

Lunch: The Hanover Senior Citizens Program is serving lunch at noon on Fridays at the Hanover Park Community Center.

Cost is \$5 and RSVP is required by calling 812-498-2894.

Madison Senior Citizens Center

Senior Meals: Lifetime Resources will be providing congregate meals at the Madison Senior Center, 208 West Main St. on Tuesday and Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Meals are free for anyone over age 60 with a suggested donation of \$6. Meals are \$6 for anyone under age 60.

Game Days: The Madison Senior Citizens Center hosts weekly card days and Bingo at the Senior Citizens Center in downtown Madison.

The schedule includes Euchre on Mondays and Thursdays from noon until 10 games are completed and Bingo on Tuesday, 10-11:30 a.m.

The games are free and open to senior citizens.

Five Reasons Women Should Consider Annuities for Retirement



Layin’ it on the line

By Stephen Dybwad
Retirement Planning/
Wealth Management

Five reasons women should consider using annuities to create more prosperous, less stressful retirements

If you’re a woman in or near retirement, let me ask you this: “How do you plan to take what you’ve so diligently saved and turn it into a lifetime stream of dependable, predictable, tax-advantaged income?” If you’re like many of us, you probably don’t have a ready answer to this question. That’s because you’ve been busy doing “all the right things.” You’ve been working, saving, maximizing your 401 K, paying off debts, being a caregiver, running a household, etc. It’s likely you haven’t really had time to think about what to do when the time comes to stop working and live on what you’ve accumulated.

I want to suggest: Take some time to consider annuities carefully. After spending time studying this often overlooked, but powerful financial vehicle, I’ve come to believe

that nearly every woman planning on retiring could benefit from the features found in annuity products.

1. Here are a few reasons you should consider an annuity when it comes time to empty your “accumulation” bucket.
2. An annuity creates guaranteed income for life. When you deposit a lump sum into an annuity, you enter into a contract with an insurance company in which the company guarantees you income for the rest of your life. This will eliminate a chief concern of many women entering the retirement phase of their lives, namely, running out of money too soon.
3. Flexibility and customization. Annuities have come a long way in the past few years, offering a full spectrum of long-term care and inflation protection features. No longer are you constrained to a “one size fits all” annuity. These new kinds of annuities now provide for a new level of customization, safety, and functionality.
4. Annuities provide predictability. Many people, especially those in their pre-retirement and retirement life stages, want to know exactly how much income they will be available when they retire. If predictability is one of your top priorities, then an annuity can provide that.
5. Zero maintenance. When you agree to the terms of the annuity contract, you’ll be assured of a steady income for life even if you live for another 50 years after retiring. An annuity is one of the few available financial products you can actually “set and forget.” there is nothing to keep tweaking or moving

around; no more crossing your fingers every time the market hiccups.

6. Tax benefits by using an annuity for a portion of your nest egg allow that portion to grow tax-deferred, just like the money in traditional retirement accounts. That means if you don’t take out all the money for a while, you could see a significant tax reduction in retirement.

There are many other reasons that an annuity, while it may not be for everyone, is still worthy of your attention as you enter retirement. Partnering with an annuity specialist will allow you to examine these safe money alternatives more thoroughly to see if they will work in your particular situation.

If you’d like to know more about how women can use annuities to create safer, saner, more prosperous post-work lives, email or call me, and I will be happy to send you educational information to help you make the right decisions about your retirement blueprint.

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CANCER

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Advances in cancer detection and changes in screening guidelines could be behind some early diagnoses.

For breast cancer, the trend toward women having a first child at older ages is a possible explanation. Pregnancy and breastfeeding are

known to reduce risk.

It’s not a uniform trend for all cancers. This isn’t happening across the board. Cancer rates in people under 50 are going down for more than a dozen types of cancer, with the largest declines in lung and prostate cancers.

Cigarette smoking has been declining for decades, which likely accounts for the drop in lung cancer among younger adults.

The drop in prostate can-

cer is likely tied to updated guidelines discouraging routine PSA testing in younger men because of concerns about overtreatment.

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Shawe prom court



Photo by Bob Demaree

Shawe Memorial High School's prom is Saturday. King and Queen candidates include (from left): Front — Julia Leatherman, Lakyn Tingle and Allie Riedel. Back — Francisco Rodriguez, Tyler Hill, Caleb Davis and Dylan Fitzpatrick. Allison Knoebel is not pictured.



Shawe Memorial High School's prom is Saturday. Prince and Princess candidates include (from left): Ethan Picardo, Julie Martin, Ruby Martin and Jacob Hart.



Submitted

Shawe Memorial English teacher Andie Martin (center) with several of her students who are earning dual credit through Ivy Tech Community College Madison. Martin was recently presented the 2025 President's Dual Credit Award for Ivy Tech Community College Madison for making dual credit courses an integral part of her teaching at Shawe.

Shawe's Martin wins 2025 President's Dual Credit Award

BY THE COURIER STAFF
Andie Martin, an English teacher at Shawe Memorial High School, was recently presented the 2025 President's Dual Credit Award for Ivy Tech Community College Madison.
In Martin's 25-year-career, she has taught many students and has been an integral part of the partnership that Ivy Tech and Shawe Memorial have developed over the years. Martin currently teaches six dual-credit courses at Shawe, which transfer to Ivy Tech and have helped put students on the track for their post-high school education.
The winner is chosen based on specific award criteria, including use of creative and/or innovative instructional techniques, engaging students in active learning, retaining students over the course of the semester, mastering and applying methods and techniques of excellence in instruction, and more.

Andrea McDole, executive director of K-14 Initiatives at Ivy Tech Madison, said, "We received a significant number of outstanding nominations this year, showcasing the exceptional dedication of educators within our community ... Andie truly stood out amongst the impressive pool of nominees. Her commitment to always going above and beyond for her students is consistently evident. We were especially impressed by her initiative over the past year in adding numerous additional dual credit courses. She thoughtfully aligned these new offerings with the interests expressed by her students while also ensuring they were continually challenged with higher-level English coursework. This award is a recognition of her remarkable and longstanding commitment to dual credit and, most importantly, to her students' growth and success."

BOND

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They also said the proposed structure, which will stand at least 60-feet tall due to its location in the flood plain, will block the view of the Ohio River for existing home owners and detract from the riverfront's park-like atmosphere that is popular with both residents and tourists.
Under the proposal about \$1.45 million of the revenue bonds would be used to provide infrastructure for the Vaughn Drive/Jefferson Street multi-family apartments while \$1.57 million would be used to provide infrastructure for the hilltop subdivision for single family homes.
The money would be used for streets, sidewalks, establishing utilities and other infrastructure needed by those sites.
While the city owns the former coal company property, which has been vacant for decades and most recently used as a site to store street department materials, it would sell or lease that property to a private investor willing to develop the site within the city's vision for the site. Property for the hilltop subdivision is privately owned — city officials declined to name the site or its owner — and the infrastructure would be an incentive for that investment.
The two park proposals include \$750,000 to redevelop the Vaughn Drive property in and around the Milton-Madison Bridge as Welch Park and \$1 million to build a new permanent amphitheater at Bicentennial Park in support of Madison's development as a venue for live music.

The downtown apartments and the amphitheater projects would also benefit from Regional Economic Development funds provided by the state.
According to Mayor Bob Courtney, the \$4.9 million in bond funding can be leveraged for \$87 million in private investment and resolve some of the city's housing shortage without creating any new taxes or raising property taxes and create a more robust tax base for

when the TIF program goes away in 2035.
Councilman Patrick Thevenow, who had gone to social media in recent days to inform constituents that the city was proposing to borrow \$4.9 million with a "substantial portion ... to help pay for luxury high rise apartments to be built on our riverfront." He also voiced opposition to the project Tuesday night.
Although members of city council ultimately voted 6-1 in favor of pursuing the bond issue — the lone dissenting vote cast by Thevenow — he said pursuing the bond issue for the apartments was bad timing because the proposal really needed to start with the city's Plan Commission since the site is not currently zoned for apartment use.
"To me this is disingenuous," Thevenow said. "The coal property can't happen because it is not zoned for that" and went on to say the proposal was "poor planning" and that he "disagreed with moving forward with the bond issue."
The remark drew applause from some in the audience and a response from Courtney, who said he resented Thevenow's remark that "our efforts are disingenuous." He noted the city has been looking for the right development for the coal property since buying the undeveloped site a few years ago, has supported infill development in the historic district under the right circumstances, is working with a developer contingent on zoning approval, and has gone after and been approved for economic development funding through the READI 2.0 Regional Development Fund.
Courtney went on to say that city officials, the Redevelopment Commission and the Mayor's office have been working on the project for many months and the sequence for pursuing the bond issue is irrelevant to the Plan Commission's decision because the Redevelopment Commission's role is to support economic development and there will be other opportunities. He said time is the important factor with the end of the TIF program now a decade away.
"All of this doesn't

happen in a nice tidy sequence," Courtney said, noting Madison has a "chronic housing shortage" and if housing is not developed downtown it "has to be developed somewhere."
Council President Carla Krebs, tried to break the proposal down in simplified terms, saying the "possible downtown complex on the river was just part of the bond issue — the \$4.9 million is for four projects." She said the bonds are an opportunity to utilize money over the next 10 years to develop much needed housing and property tax base using funds that will go away after 2035. "We're trying to invest in something that will pay off in the future by providing more revenue in years to come."
Krebs noted that although the council approved the resolution, there will be more opportunities for the community to learn about the potential bond issue and the projects it might support such as the zoning meeting on May 12 and the city council meetings on May 20 and June 3.
"These are proposed ideas," Krebs said. "We're a long way from deciding yes or no."
She also noted that city council members have shown a willingness to listen to citizens. She said citizens' concerns were voiced and heard on issues like the naming of Ohio River Legacy Park and opposition to a solar industry in the city's hilltop buffer zone. She said council members listened to those concerns and then did what they think is right for the community.
"My struggle is to represent the people and make the decision that's best for the community," Krebs said.
Kevin Kellems, a former city councilman who currently serves on the Our Southern Indiana Regional Development Authority that reviews READI funding applications from five counties, said Madison's projects scored high with the development authority and the state has prioritized housing development since the current shortage is statewide.
"Housing, housing, housing — at all price points," Kellems said of

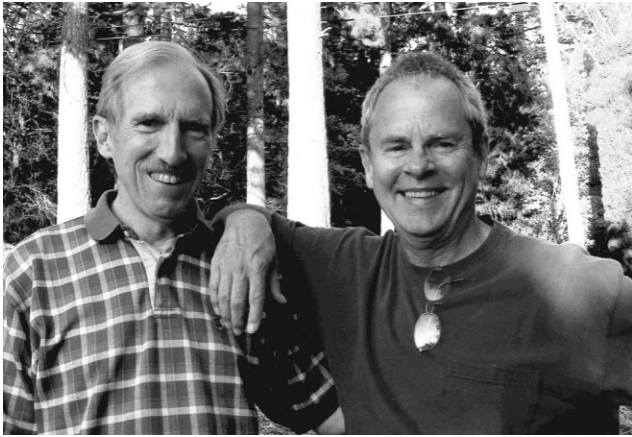
the state's current priorities. "I see a tremendous need in this county for housing at all price points."
One of the recurring concerns voiced about the proposed apartment structure on Vaughn Drive — a drawing was displayed on the video boards at the meeting — was that the need to be above the flood plain would result in a high-rise structure that would block views of the river by other homes. According to Courtney, the proposed structure would be no taller than the Cotton Mill Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott and the roof line would be even with the former Meyers & Son building at 200 Jefferson Street.
Several residents said that was still too high, and the apartments would be unsuitable for the riverfront where green space has been maintained to provide views of the river for local residents and tourists with walkways and parks to be enjoyed. They also noted that while Madison needs housing, a tall apartment building would be better suited for the hilltop while leaving the riverfront intact.
"We heard some of these same conversations, when riverboat gambling was trying to come here and if we didn't get that, the town would die," said local resident Jan Vetrhus.
"But many of those that got riverboat gambling died while we have thrived."
Local resident Angie Williams said she would like to see a better plan before the proposal goes to the zoning commission but after seeing the drawing "it's not the tremendous building that I thought it would be." She also noted that her son, who grew up in Madison, is now considering leaving because he cannot find a home here and that she and her husband would downsize but there are no options to do that either due to the housing shortage.
"Our son cannot find a home here and we cannot move because we can't find a home," she said. "There's not a lot of housing here — not just for people coming in but for our own residents looking to move."

GIVING TODAY TO IMPACT TOMORROW

Read more about a recently established endowment that will make a difference in Jefferson County's future.

H. BOONE LODGE AND BILL SULLIVAN ENDOWMENT

Having lived in California together for 40 years, H. Boone Lodge and Bill "Sulli" Sullivan decided to relocate to Madison in 2016. Boone's family lineage in Madison began with John Paul, and pioneer families of Lanier, Cravens, and Lodge. Philanthropy has always been a key value to his family members. To continue this legacy of generosity, he and Sulli established the H. Boone Lodge and Bill Sullivan Endowment at the Community Foundation. Annual grants from this Flexible Community Fund will be used to address the immediate and ever-changing needs of Jefferson County.



Anyone can give to any of our funds, in any amount, at any time.

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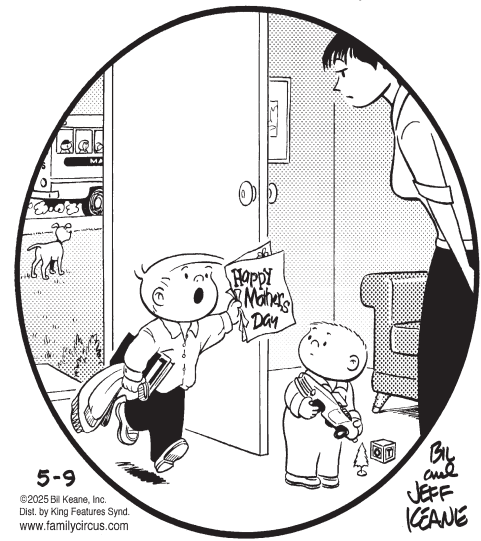
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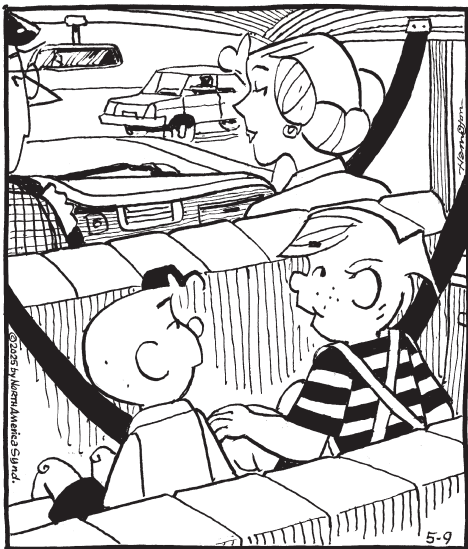
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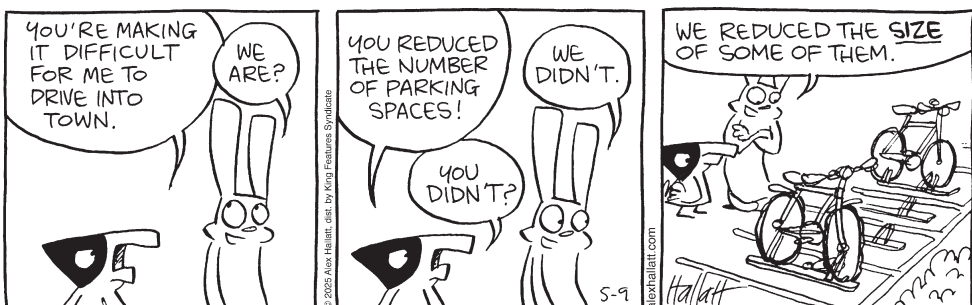
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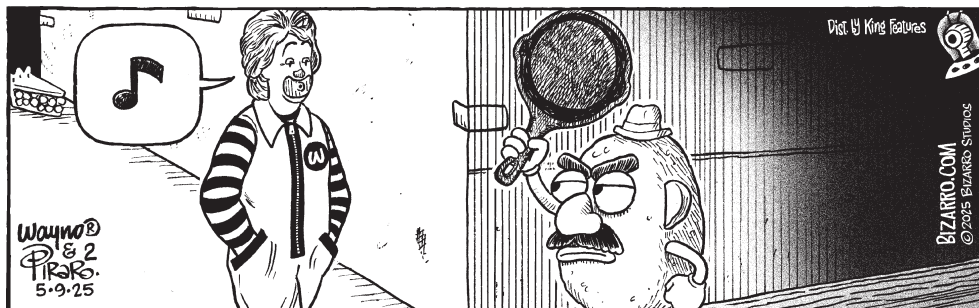


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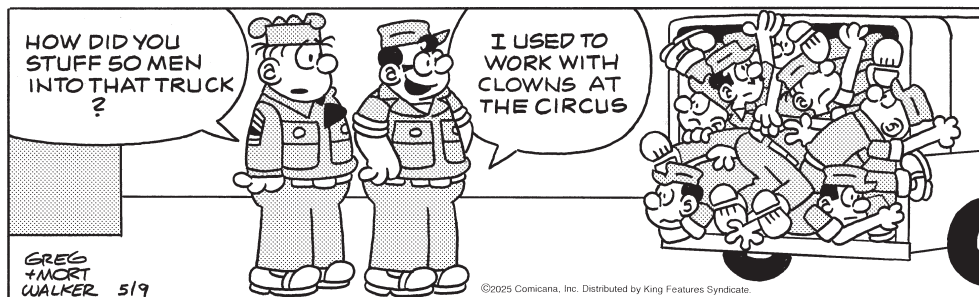
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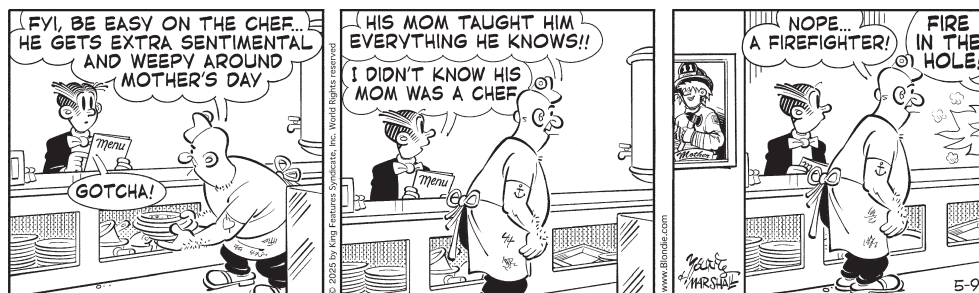
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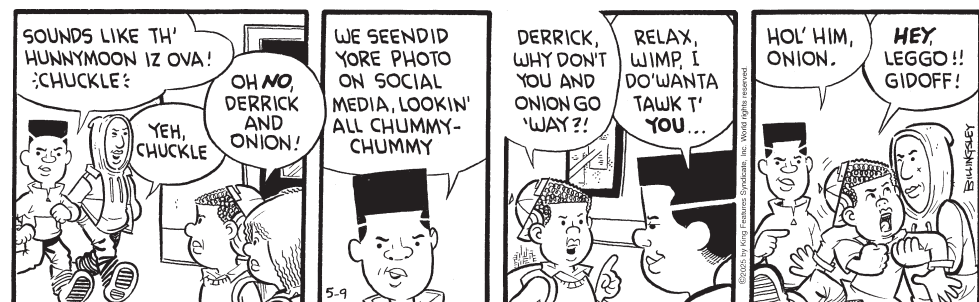
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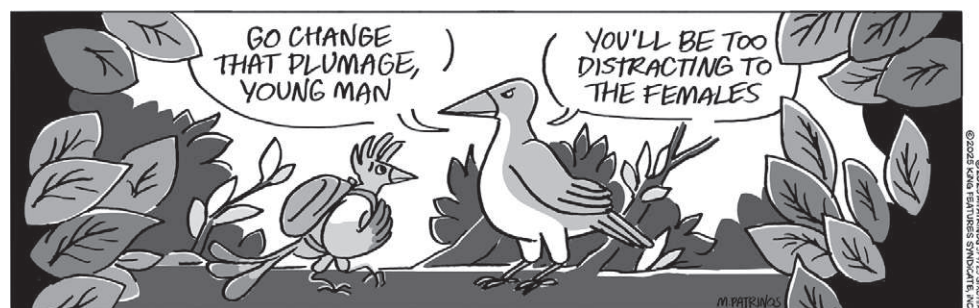
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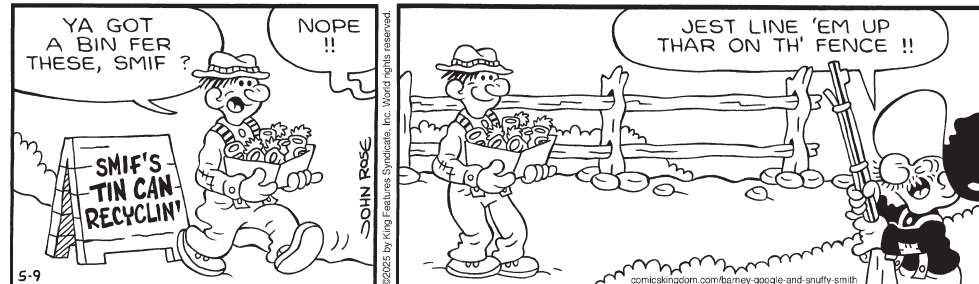
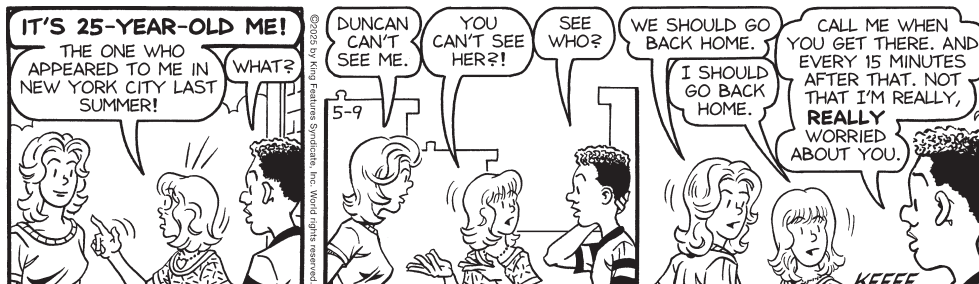
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FLOODING

FROM PAGE A1

Hanson said the flood cleanup has been especially difficult due to the amount of mud left behind by flooding. “Nobody has really ever seen anything like this one,” said Hanson. “This one was heavy pack-full mud, and that’s how it was described to me. It was surprising how much it was.”

Riverview Campground opened for its first day of the season April 1, then closed the next day after widespread regional rain storms led to the flooding that has kept the facility closed ever since. The campground is now due to reopen Friday, May 23. Crystal Beach Aquatic Park, originally scheduled to open for the summer on May 23, is now set to open on Memorial Day, Monday, May 26.

“Day by day, things change,” said Hanson, who noted they were working hard to get the campground and pool ready by those dates. Hanson said there had been work on the campground earlier this week to scrape off mud on the pavement with Department of Correction workers to soon follow up with more clean up by hosing down the area.

Cleaning also continues at the pool with plans for Spear Corporation workers to refill the pool next week. Hanson said it will be interesting to see how that work goes. “The big question mark is going to be when we fire the pumps up,” he said. “There is mud in every crevice of that property, where it comes from and where it goes will be the big questions,” adding there will need to be multiple cycle changes and filtrations to clear the system. “It’s going to take a lot to do it.”

Once Spear is done with its work, the Parks and Recreation Department will have less than two weeks to finish getting the pool ready by Memorial Day.

Hanson noted there was a lot of preparation prior to the flooding with every electrical device moved out of the basement, and anything on the first floor that could be damaged also removed to the second floor. In addition, the elevator was taken up to the second floor, and the power shut off to the building during the flooding.

Hanson said the elevator is still not being used due to safety reasons so that elevator maintenance staff can

inspect it and ensure proper operation. “The power is back up and batteries charged. It should be functional now,” he said.

“We came through very fortunate,” said Hanson, noting the mechanical equipment in the pool house and the pool should operate fine this summer.

Hargan-Matthews Park — the playground for children at the corner of Vaughn Drive and West street — remains closed. “It’s not usable at this time,” said Hanson, noting the park has been cleaned but remains closed due to damage to the turf that must be inspected by a specialist this week. Hanson said Lykos Riverfront Dog Park suffered the least amount of damage. “It’s cleaned and ready to go. It’s been open for a week,” he said, adding Damon Welch Park underneath the Milton-Madison Bridge is also in good shape.

Kiwanis Park sustained substantial damage and will likely be the last property to get attention. Prior to the flooding, the ball field was being prepared for use this summer by youth leagues but those games were moved after the flooding. “The Mayor and I were talking this morning about taking fence out along Vaughn Drive because there’s wall damage,” he said. He said the outfield fence was destroyed and will also be taken out but he anticipates the fencing at Kiwanis Park will remain along Broadway Street and Poplar Street.

Operating hours for the pool beginning May 26 will be noon to 6 p.m. through Aug. 3. From Aug. 4-29, the pool will be open 8 a.m.-noon for water fitness activities and family swim with the splash pad being the only feature that will be in operation during that time period. Water aerobics will be in session from 10 a.m.-10:45 a.m. The pool will be open week-ends Aug. 2-31 from noon to 6 p.m. It was also be open Monday, Sept. 1, on Labor Day from noon to 6 p.m. The last event will be the traditional Dog Day on Tuesday, Sept. 2, from 5-7 p.m.

Gallatin reported that Sunrise Golf Course has “come out great from all the bad weather we’ve been having” with the exception of some bridges. He said it was recommended that the bridge at hole 15 be closed to golf carts. “It has been undermined and eroded ... deferred maintenance is

starting to catch up with us there ... that’s going to be a needed expense in the near future.”

Hanson said that bridge “has completely failed,” and the bridges at holes 9 and 10 “are close behind it.” He estimated the cost to replace each bridge by hiring a contractor would be \$20,000-\$30,000, with each needing culvert work. Hanson said he could do the work in-house and bring the cost down to \$5,000-\$8,000, but he’s not currently in a position to do that, particularly with all the department is doing to address flood damage. He said he might have time work on all three of the failing bridges over the winter.

Parks Board President Carla Krebs said there isn’t money to address the bridges right now because parks is working towards paying off a \$575,000 debt from last year.

Board member Jake Shockley asked Gallatin about the impact on Sunrise with Hanson moving from his previous role of grounds keeper for the golf course to his role now as grounds superintendent for all city parks. Gallatin said over the two years that Hanson had been working at Sunrise, it was “a process of building an unbelievable team” that has carried on taking good care of the golf course.

Shockley said he believes the “reputation for Sunrise has grown” since Hanson was there as the grounds keeper and Gallatin has been the golf pro. “Sunrise has a much expanded reputation across local municipalities than it has in the past. I just hope we can continue that.”

Burdzilauskas said there have been 142 sign ups so far for the city’s youth programs this year, an increase from last year when there were 125. There are four T-ball teams, two softball teams with one baseball team for each category that will be traveling to compete against nearby communities. “If we can keep growing every year, hopefully we can have more interleague play,” she said.

Burdzilauskas said the Parks and Recreation Department’s new software with Rec Technologies has been launched. The public can access the software at <https://www.rec.us/madison> to register for activities, purchase passes for events, rent facilities and more. “We’ve had great feedback with that. It’s very user friendly. Everybody is enjoying it,” she said.

BEAT

FROM PAGE A1

John Harrod is a musician, singer, storyteller and historian with deep roots in the culture of Appalachia. He’s spent 40 years collecting and recording fiddle tunes and oral history from the region, and he’s built a wonderful show with a four-piece band to showcase and share what he’s learned.

John is a recipient of the Folk Heritage Award and The Kentucky Governor’s Award in Arts. He’s a graduate of Centre College, a Rhodes Scholar, and he went on to become a teacher in Owen County for many years. He is, to quote the person we’ll be talking more about in just a moment, “a funny, bright, brilliant guy who puts on a very entertaining program!”

The driving force behind bringing this music and storytelling to Madison is a dynamo of energy and enthusiasm named Jarrett Boyd. Jarrett is the retired library director from Carrollton who settled here in Madison about 13 years ago when she retired.

“We produced a program in Carrollton back in the late 90s called ‘A Point in Time’ about all the history associated with the confluence of the Ohio and Kentucky Rivers, right on the edge of town there,” explains Jarrett. “It was a series of vignettes, both stories and music, and John Harrod was a natural fit for that.

“But actually, I knew John from much further back, in the 1980’s, when I would go to see his group The Gray Eagle Band play at places like Lola’s in Eminence, Kentucky. John and I have been friends for several decades, and I think he’s really something special. So with me living here now in Indiana’s Music City, I’ve been telling anybody who would listen that we need to get this guy here to play.

“However, mostly people don’t listen to an old lady like me, but Jane Vonderheide finally did, and we brought John and his band in for last year’s Play Music On The Porch Day back in August. They actually performed on my porch on Third Street, and everybody just loved them, I knew they would. That exposure led to this upcoming show, sponsored by the Kindred Folk Society, at Red Bicycle Hall.

I’m so excited that we get to share John’s music and folklore knowledge with a wider audience, and I really encourage everyone to come out and see this show. He weaves an amazing spell of music and history and stories.”

Tickets to the show are available at [MadTixEvents.com](https://www.madtixevents.com).

HOT TIP OF THE WEEK

OK, I’m seeing 12 live music events on Saturday on the calendar. TWELVE! We’ve had some 8’s and 9’s in the past. And when things really heat up in the summer we sometimes might see 10 shows on a single day. But twelve?! I have to say, this experiment we call Indiana’s Music City is succeeding beyond my wildest expectations, and we can thank the venue owners who book the bands and the music lovers who go out and support the shows. This is truly a magical and one of a kind thing going on here in our little town, people!

And not to be outdone by Saturday, the other days of the week are coming in strong too. I don’t think I’ve ever seen five events on a Wednesday before, including two open mic opportunities (and another on Thursday). The new venue TimelessLIVE continues to bring in new and interesting musical acts with a band called The Woodshop Boys on Friday and Lindsey Lane on Saturday. If you haven’t been to TimelessLIVE yet, check it out this

weekend. They are in the old Masonic Lodge building, right across Main Street from Off Broadway Taproom. And if you are from out of town and thinking about the perfect weekend getaway, the weather looks perfect with temps in the low 70s and zero chance of rain. Make plans now for a fun day or two in Indiana’s Music City!

Charlie Rohlfling is a retired advertising man and partner in The Red Bicycle Hall music venue. Look for his distinctive fedora bobbing above the crowd, anywhere live local music is happening.

MUSIC EVENTS SCHEDULE

Friday, May 9

Riverboat Inn — Gary Brown

Rivertown Grill — Southbound (9 p.m.-1 a.m.)

Lighthouse — Craig Cole (6-10 p.m.)

Mad Paddle Brewstillery — Roman Toast (8 p.m.)

1st Street Saloon — Justin Chappel Band

Timeless LIVE! — The Woodshop Boys (8 p.m.)

Central — Vanguards (9P-1A)

Saturday, May 10

1st Street Saloon — Karaoke

Rivertown Grill — Red Dirt Road Band (9 p.m.-1 a.m.)

Timeless Live — Lindsey Lane Band (8 p.m.)

Riverboat Inn — Jordan Wilson

Madison Farmers Market — Cheryl Liz Byers (10 a.m.-Noon)

Lighthouse — Vaguely Familiar (8-11 p.m.)

Mad Paddle Brewstillery — Cody Ikerd and the Sidewinders (8 p.m.)

Red Bicycle Hall — Kentucky Wild Horse (w/ Creedence Cooper)

VFW — Bee Camp Bottom Boys (4-7 p.m.)

American Legion — JD Chappell (7-11 p.m.)

Thomas Family Winery — Mark Louden & Jimmy Mundane (7 p.m.)

Central — Lacy Lane (9 p.m.-1 a.m.)

Sunday, May 11

Rivertown Grill — Joe & Deano (8-11 p.m.)

PETITION

FROM PAGE A2

Simons said he has filed suit against the Rykers Ridge Water Department with a preliminary injunction hearing scheduled for May 20. The action came after the water company’s board of directors presented Simons with a letter April 1 that his campground was in violation of its rules and regulations by not meeting a requirement for a 6-inch line with fire hydrant installed, and 10 feet separation for water and sewer lines. The water company said Simons had 30

days to correct those issues or have his service disconnected.

Simons said in his complaint against the water company that the requirement for a 6-inch water line with fire hydrant violates Simons’ contract and is invalid and unenforceable. It requested the water company be barred from terminating service to the Simons property.

The campsite is currently operational based on the original permit. The conditional use application was brought back before BZA this year due to a change in the legal ownership of the property. After the death of Simons’ wife, Angela, in 2023,

he remarried and decided to transfer ownership to an entity he created, Lost Trails LLC, as part of his estate planning. One of the conditions for the approval of the conditional use in 2021 was that a change of ownership would require re-approval of the conditional use.

While the new application remains currently on hold, Magrath told Simons his conditional use permit approved in 2021 currently remains in effect and the tabling of the applications has “no effect on your current ability to continue to use the property as you are. The decision today (to table) does not impact your ability to use the property.”

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Regatta expects full pit of boats for July race

BY DAVID CAMPBELL

A total of six H1 Unlimited and 13 Grand Prix America boats are expected for this year's Madison Regatta & Roostertail Music Festival, president Kyle Bipes announced Wednesday.

The two classes of hydroplanes will also be joined by several 350 Class boats giving the Regatta one of its biggest fields in recent memory. In fact, a potentially crowded pit area is causing the Regatta to reevaluate its budget for cranes for the upcoming race.

"Because of the bigger field we are well over what we budgeted for cranes," Regatta Race Chair Mark Hamilton announced at Wednesday's monthly general membership meeting. "We need bigger cranes with a bigger reach for that many boats. We just can't get to them all with the smaller cranes."

The extra budget for bigger cranes should not be a problem for the Regatta which has contingencies in place for such situations.

Leading the field of H1 boats

is the hometown U-6 Miss Madison, which will be driven by rookie Brandon Kennedy. Miss Madison Racing has leased the former Miss Budweiser T-3 hull from Dave Bartush of Detroit and has committed to running the first two races of the season, at Lake Guntersville in Alabama June 6-8, and on the Ohio River at Madison July 4-6.

The Regatta plans to hold an admission flash sale on May 24 at the Regatta Office on Vaughn Drive from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wristbands can be purchased at

that time and Kennedy will be on hand to sign autographs and meet fans.

The rest of the expected H1 field is: J. Michael Kelly, U-8 Beacon Electric; Corey Peabody, U-9 Beacon Plumbing; Jamie Nilsen, U-11 Flav-R-Pak; Dave Villwock, U-27 Apollo; and Andrew Tate, U-91 Goodman Real Estate.

IN OTHER BUSINESS:

- RV sites are sold out and there is currently a wait list.
- Tarp sites are still available and can be secured online at

www.madisonregatta.com.

- The Regatta held elections for officers for the 2026 event. President Kyle Bipes and Vice-President Tim Bipes will serve in those positions for another year. Other officers are: Suzanna Sachleben, secretary; Kim Washer, treasurer; Melissa Wolf, Roostertail Chair; Brandon Lee, Race Chair; Mark Hamilton, Assistant Race Chair; Hannah Fisher, Festival Chair; and Dan Cole, Susan Cline, Kimberly Mahoney and Billy Noonan, Board of Directors.

SOFTBALL ROUNDUP

Armbrecht's walk-off homer lifts Madison to 12-9 win over Salem

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Ava Armbrecht belted two home runs — the second a three-run blast in the bottom of the eighth inning — to lift Madison to a 12-9 softball win over Salem Wednesday at home.

Armbrecht opened her day by hammering a two-run home run in the first inning to stake Madison to a 3-1 lead but her second dinger was even more impressive, a three-shot with Kyra Ayler and Emily Laufer on board to hand the Cubs the win.

Laufer also had an impressive day at the plate for Madison, going 5-for-5 with a triple and two runs scored while Rae Hearne was 2-for-4 with a double and two RBIs, Ayler had two hits, an RBI and scored three runs, Rachel Couch had two hits and an RBI and Mashya Wells had a double.

Laufer also got the win in the circle, striking out 13 Lions in eight innings.

On Monday, Madison suffered a 14-2 loss at Charlestown. Savannah Hill had two hits and an RBI for the Cubs, Couch and Lainey Castor each had a double and scored a run, and Ayler and Laufer both had hits.

Laufer suffered the loss in the circle.

Madison, now 8-5 on the season, hosted Eastern (Pekin) on Thursday and hosts Floyd Central on Monday.



David Campbell

Madison's Emily Laufer leaps into the air while delivering a pitch in the Cubs' softball win over Salem on Wednesday.

TRIMBLE KNOCKS OFF OWEN

Trimble County collected only four hits but made the most of them in a 6-2 softball win over Owen County Tuesday in Bedford.

Hannah Chilton blasted a three-run home run in the first inning for all the runs the Raiders would need. Lily Truman had a double, Jocie Stucker had a single and scored twice and Alyssa Ritchie had a hit.

Ritchie got the win in the circle after allowing just two earned runs on five hits in 4-1/3 innings with four strikeouts.

On Monday, Trimble suffered a 12-0 loss at South Oldham. Ritchie had two hits and Stucker, Shelby Wright and Alana Washington had one each. Ritchie suffered the loss.

Trimble, now 15-8 overall and 5-3 31st District, traveled to Owen County on Thursday and heads to Sacred Heart on Tuesday.

CARROLL HAMMERS EMINENCE

Carroll County softball rolled to a 17-0 win at Eminence on Tuesday.

Brooklyn Rose had a triple, a double and drove in two runs for the Panthers, Madi Groves was 2-for-3 with a double and five RBIs, Mallory Noble was 2-for-2 with a triple, three RBIs

and three runs, and Addy Marsh had a hit and scored three runs.

Groves got the win after tossing three scoreless innings. She allowed just two hits and no walks while striking out three.

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LOCAL SPORTS CALENDAR

FRIDAY, MAY 9

BASEBALL

Southwestern at Jac-Cen-Del, 5:30 p.m.
Madison hosts Lawrenceburg, 6 p.m.
Trimble Co. hosts Newport, 6 p.m.

GOLF

Hanover College men, HCAC Championships at Earlham, 10 a.m.

SOFTBALL

Southwestern at Brown Co., 5:30 p.m.

TENNIS

Shawe girls at Scottsburg, 5 p.m.
Southwestern girls at Milan, 5 p.m.

TRACK & FIELD

Madison at Jennings Co., 5:30 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Madison boys hosts Scottsburg, 6:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 10

BASEBALL

Madison at Corydon, 10 a.m.
Southwestern at Clarksville, 11 a.m.
Switzerland Co. hosts North Decatur, 11 a.m. (DH)
Carroll Co. hosts Williamstown, noon
Trimble Co. hosts Highlands Latin, noon

GOLF

Shawe, Southwestern, Switzerland

Co., ORVC Championships at Sunrise GC, TBA
Hanover College men, HCAC Championships at Earlham, 10 a.m.
Madison boys at Prairie View GC, 10 a.m.

SOFTBALL

Switzerland Co. hosts Knoxville, 10 a.m.
Carroll Co. at Collins, noon

TRACK & FIELD

Trimble Co. hosts meet, 10 a.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 11

GOLF

Hanover College men, HCAC Championships at Earlham, 10 a.m.

MONDAY, MAY 12

BASEBALL

Southwestern hosts Shawe, 5 p.m.
Switzerland Co. at Milan, 5 p.m.
Trimble Co. hosts Cornerstone, 6 p.m.

GOLF

Madison boys host Columbus East, 4:30 p.m.
Shawe, Switzerland Co. boys at Oldenburg, 5 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Southwestern hosts Christian Academy of Indiana, 5:30 p.m.

Switzerland Co. at Milan, 5:30 p.m.
Madison hosts Floyd Central, 6 p.m.

TENNIS

Shawe girls host Milan, 4:30 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Southwestern boys at New Albany, 6 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 13

BASEBALL

Switzerland Co. hosts Rising Sun, 5 p.m.
Carroll Co. at Western Hills, 6 p.m.
Madison hosts Silver Creek, 6 p.m.

GOLF

Southwestern boys hosts Christian Academy of Indiana, 5 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Trimble Co. at Sacred Heart, 5:30 p.m.
Carroll Co. at Spencer Co., 6 p.m.

TENNIS

Southwestern girls host Henryville, 5 p.m.

TRACK & FIELD

Shawe, Southwestern, Switzerland Co., ORVC Championships at Switzerland Co., 5 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Shawe boys vs. Scottsburg, IHSAA Sectional at New Albany, 7:30 p.m.

TRACK & FIELD

Rebs' assault on records continues at Charlestown

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Southwestern track & field continued its record-setting season with two more school records falling in a meet at Charlestown on Tuesday.

Bryce Weber broke the school record in the boys discus with an impressive throw of 154 feet, 7 inches to win that event. Weber's throw broke Zack Scroggins' record of 151 feet, 9 inches set in 2008.

The girls 3200-meter relay team of Olivia Simpson, Tori Gammons, Sophie Ford and Mikayla Nussbaum broke their own school record set just last week with a winning time of 10:01.57.

Weber also won the shot put with a throw of 46 feet-even, Colton Thornton won the 100 dash in 11.75, Andrew Nussbaum won the 3200 run in 11:31.59, and Landon Higgins won the 300 hurdles in 43.81.

Simpson also won the 400 dash in 1:05.15, Savannah Nussbaum won the 800 run in 2:25.01 and Natalee Crawford won the high jump at 4 feet, 7 inches.

Other top finishes for the boys were: Caden Ream, second, 800 run, 2:16.75; Leyton Lare, second, 1600 run, 5:24.81; Elliot Brooks, second, 110 hurdles, 18.63 and second, 300 hurdles, 46.76; Myles Monroe, second, discus, 104-10; 400 relay, second, 48.93; 1600 relay, second, 3:57.42; Zeke Weatherbee, third, 200 dash, 25.29; and Brady Cook, third, 400 dash, 54.90.

Other top finishes for the girls were: Makenzie Marion, second, 100 dash, 14.51; Olivia Simpson, second, 200 dash, 29.80; Tori Gammons, second, 400 dash, 1:05.29 and third, 200 dash, 29.94; 1600 relay, second, 5:00.49; Sophie Ford, third, 400 dash, 1:06.86; Harlee Turner, third, discus, 74-8; and 400 relay, third, 59.98.

Southwestern competed at Rising Sun on Thursday and competes in the Ohio River Valley Conference championships at Switzerland County next Tuesday.

PACERS, TOPPERS RUN AT RIPLEY

Switzerland County and Shawe competed in a quad-meet at South Ripley on Tuesday.

Switzerland's Madison Spillman continued her outstanding season with three wins, claiming the girls 100-meter dash in 12.51, the 200 dash in 26.81 and the long jump at 16 feet, 8.5 inches. Addy Preston won the discus at 108 feet-even and the shot put at 31 feet, 10 inches, Claire Rogers won the 3200 run in 13:51.43, Ashlyn Jesop won the 300 hurdles in 53.03, Baylee Romans won the high jump at 4 feet, 10 inches, the 400 relay team won 52.37, and the 1600 relay team won in 4:30.14.

On the boys side, Matthew Young won the high jump for Switzerland at 5 feet, 6 inches and the 400 relay team won in 45.96.

Other top finishes for the Switzerland girls were: Amber Detmer, second, 800 run, 2:45.90 and second, 1600 run, 6:00.74; Lauren Smith, second, 100 hurdles, 16.96 and second, long jump, 15-9; Emma South, second, 300 hurdles, 54.84 and third, 100 hurdles, 18.20; 3200 relay, second, 11:52.87; Emma Parsons, third, 100 dash, 13.21; and Trinita Blevins, third, high jump, 4-6.

Other top finishes for the Switzerland boys were: Landon Penhall, second, 400 dash, 54.90; Ethan Jones, second, 110 hurdles, 17.52; Kolvin Beck, second, 300 hurdles, 45.24; Matt Young, second, long jump, 19-7; 3200 relay, second, 9:24.08; Ty Lay, third, 100 dash, 11.41 and third, 200 dash, 23.40; Luke Sullivan, third, 3200 run, 11:18.92; Mason Stroud, third, 300 hurdles, 47.40; and Alex Bailey, third, high jump, 5-4.

Top finishes for the Shawe boys were: Johnathan Ambrosio Vilchis, 10th, 200 dash, 27.56 and Jorge Ambrosio, 10th, 400 dash, 1:07.46.

Switzerland County competed at Rising Sun on Thursday and both Switzerland and Shawe compete in the ORVC championships at Switzerland next Tuesday.

TENNIS ROUNDUP



David Campbell

Southwestern’s Annie Ford returns a shot during her No. 1 singles win against New Washington at home on Tuesday.

Rebels roll over New Washington, South Central

BY THE COURIER STAFF
Southwestern girls tennis kept the train rolling with a pair of lopsided wins earlier this week.
On Tuesday, the Rebels scored a 5-0 win over New Washington at home. Annie Ford, Natalie LaRue and Emma Hatton each posted wins in singles play while Raygan Crawford and Ava Barnes, and Kaylee Hite and Jocelyn Johnson won in doubles.
On Wednesday, the Rebels posted a 4-1 win over South Central. Ford and LaRue each had straight-set wins in singles with Crawford and Hatton winning in straight sets in doubles. Hite and Johnson scored the win in No. 2 doubles for the final result. Southwestern, now 11-2

on the season, travels to Milan Friday and hosts Henryville next Tuesday.
MADISON SWEEPS DEARBORN
Madison girls tennis posted a 5-0 sweep over South Dearborn on Monday.
Ruby Willoughby, Alexa Davis and Avery Clayton each claimed wins in singles while Marley Stivers and Bridgett Boles, and Michelle Laguna-Rafael and Olivia Scroggins won at doubles.
On Wednesday, Madison lost 4-1 to Austin. Laguna-Rafael and Scroggins picked up the Cubs lone win at No. 2 doubles.
Madison traveled to Milan on Thursday and hosts Shawe next Wednesday.

Switz baseball shuts out Hilltoppers, South Ripley

BY THE COURIER STAFF
Switzerland County baseball improved to 5-2 in Ohio River Valley Conference play with a pair of shutout wins over Shawe and South Ripley earlier this week.
On Monday, Bryce Eaglin tossed a one-hit shutout with nine strikeouts in a 17-0 win at Shawe. Furnish walked only one in the five-inning win.
Cooper Todd had three hits with six RBIs and two runs scored to lead Switzerland. Mason Peelman had three hits and scored three times, Kemper Kitts had three hits and an RBI, and Roman Hite and Carson Byrd both had a single and a double with two RBIs and three runs scored.
Jacob Hart had a double for Shawe but also took the loss after giving up just one earned run on three hits in two innings.
Switzerland then got a three-hit shutout from Zayne Smith in a 7-0 win at home over South Ripley on Tuesday. Smith struck out 13 and walked only one in seven innings.
Byrd went 3-for-4 with a double, a triple, an RBI and two runs scored for

the Pacers. Eli Smith, Peyton Turner and Smith each had two hits with Smith and Turner both driving in two runs.
Switzerland then suffered a 9-2 loss at Lawrenceburg on Monday. Jackson Sparks had a hit and an RBI for the Pacers while Hite, Kitts, Kolin Reynolds and Brian Jones each had a hit.
Caleb Ridener got the loss after giving up two earned runs on four hits in an inning.
Shawe also suffered a 13-2 loss at home to Jac-Cen-Del on Wednesday.
Bradley Martinez had a hit and an RBI for the Hilltoppers while Tyler Hill had a double and scored a run and Luis Garcia had a hit. Jacob Hart suffered the loss after giving up four earned runs in four innings.
Shawe, now 0-12 overall and 0-8 ORVC, traveled to Trinity Lutheran on Thursday and heads to Southwestern on Monday.
Switzerland, now 8-6 overall, hosted Salem on Thursday and hosts North Decatur on Saturday. The Pacers then travel to Milan on Monday and host Rising Sun on Tuesday.

BASEBALL ROUNDUP

Harden tosses two-hitter as Madison blanks Scottsburg, 10-0

BY THE COURIER STAFF
Senior Damon Harden struck out eight and twirled a two-hit shutout as Madison blanked Scottsburg 10-0 in baseball Tuesday at home.
Harden walked three over his six innings but that was his only blemish. Madison backed their pitcher with seven hits including Briar Boldery going 2-for-3 with a double and two RBIs, Mitchell Cammack getting two hits, driving in a run and scoring twice, Nick Johnson getting two hits and driving in a run, and Elliot Kozenski driving in three runs despite failing to actually get a hit.
Madison, now 11-3 on the season, hosts Lawrenceburg on Friday and

travels to Corydon on Saturday before hosting Silver Creek next Tuesday.
REBELS KNOCK OFF SHINERS
Southwestern baseball shrugged off a week lay-off with a 5-1 win at Rising Sun on Wednesday.
Austin Jenkins had three hits and scored twice for the Rebels while Braxton Lewis had two hits and an RBI, Barron Welsh had two hits and scored a run and Jeter Chatham had a double and two RBIs.
Adam Traylor allowed one unearned run in three hitless innings on the hill for the win.
Southwestern, now 10-5 overall and 7-0 Ohio River Valley Conference, travels to Jac-Cen-Del on Friday

and heads to Clarksville on Saturday. The Rebels then host Shawe on Monday.
CARROLL FALLS AT EMINENCE
Carroll County baseball suffered a 3-0 defeat at Eminence on Tuesday.
The Panthers had six hits in the game but couldn’t push anything across the plate. Luke Taylor had a double for Carroll while Bryce Furnish, Mason Ogden, Preston Snow, Treavin Shovlin and Colton Dietz all had singles.
Ogden took the loss on the hill despite allowing only one earned run on five hits in six innings.
Carroll, now 7-7 overall and 5-2 31st District, hosted Eminence on Thursday

and hosts Williamstown on Saturday. The Panthers travel to Western Hills next Tuesday.
TRIMBLE LOSES TO OWEN
Trimble County dropped an 8-5 baseball decision at home to Owen County Tuesday.
Jacoby Clark had two hits for the Raiders while Dylan Penick had a hit and an RBI and Liam Taylor and Nolan Hunt each had a hit and scored a run. Hunt was tagged with the loss.
Trimble, now 5-13 overall and 2-6 31st District, traveled to Owen County Thursday, hosts Newport on Friday, hosts Highland Latin Saturday and hosts Cornerstone Christian Monday.

GOLF ROUNDUP

Madison picks up wins on back-to-back days

BY THE COURIER STAFF
Madison boys golf picked up a tough tri-meet win over Borden and Henryville at Champions Pointe Golf Club Tuesday at Henryville.
The Cubs shot a 162 on the regional course while Borden had a 168 and Henryville shot a 219.
Braxton Bray carded a two-over 38 to lead Madison while Landon Lytle had a 39 and Landon True a 40. Owen Murphy had a 45 and Collin McKay a 50 to round out the Cubs’ scoring.
“A decent team score on a challenging course,” Madison coach Chris Conner said. “I am pleased with our improvement the last couple weeks.”
On Monday, Madison shot a season-best 151 to claim victories over Switzerland County, Milan and Jac-Cen-Del at Sunrise Golf Course.
True had a three-under 33 to lead the Cubs while Murphy shot a 38, Bray and McKay each had 40s and Lytle carded a 43.
No results for Switzerland County

were available.
Madison competes at Prairie View Golf Course in Carmel, the state finals course, on Saturday and hosts Columbus East on Monday.
REBELS KNOCK OFF SWITZ
Southwestern picked up its third win in a row 172-204 over Switzerland County at Belterra Resort Golf Course Tuesday.
Wayde Barker and Braxton Lewis carded a pair of 42s to finish as co-medalists and lead Southwestern. Wyatt Barker was third overall with a 43 and Blake Boley had a 45. In non-scoring rounds, Max Joseph had a 49, Adam Boley a 41, Michael Sommer a 46 and Braden Helton a 50.
“We played a tough course well tonight by focusing on recovering from bad breaks,” Southwestern coach Matt Johnson said. “Tonight was good preparation as we look to get ready for the conference tournament on Saturday.”
No results for Switzerland County

were available.
Southwestern hosted Shawe and Switzerland County at Butler Falls on Thursday and all three schools will compete in the Ohio River Valley Conference championships at Sunrise Golf Course in Madison on Saturday. Switzerland heads to Oldenburg on Monday and Southwestern hosts Christian Academy of Indiana on Tuesday.
SHAWE HOSTS QUAD MEET
Shawe boys golf hosted four teams at Sunrise Golf Course on Tuesday.
The Hilltoppers did not field enough players for a full team score but Orin Elkins shot a 63 and A.J. Skelton had a 71.
Lawrenceburg won the meet with a 171, Jac-Cen-Del had a 186 and Rising Sun a 197.
Shawe competed at Southwestern on Thursday and competes in the ORVC championships at Sunrise on Saturday. The Hilltoppers then travel to Oldenburg on Monday.

Madison volleyball knocks off East to end skid

BY THE COURIER STAFF
Madison boys volleyball ended a five-match losing streak with a 3-1 win at Columbus East on Tuesday.
The Cubs won 25-22,

22-25, 25-17, 25-14.
Branson Cline had 15 kills and 11 digs for Madison, Kyle Roney had 14 kills and 15 digs, Nick Jines had eight kills, Jaden Woolridge had

seven kills and 10 digs, Bryant Cline had four blocks, and Aiden Smith had 47 assists.
Madison, now 13-11 on the season, hosted Columbus North Thursday and

hosts Scottsburg Friday. The Cubs will then play in the first-ever IHSA sectional tournament next Wednesday when they take on Floyd Central in the opening round at New Albany.



Salem pitcher Karissa Hardy (14) watches as Madison’s Ava Armbrecht rounds the bases after hitting a 2-run home run in the Cubs’ 12-9 softball win at home on Wednesday.
David Campbell

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Carroll suffered a 3-0 loss at Henry County on Wednesday.
Brinley Couch had two hits for the Panthers, Noble had a triple and Rose a double. Rose took the loss after giving up three runs (all earned) on nine hits over six innings while striking out seven.
Carroll, now 13-5 overall and 4-4 district, hosted Eminence Thursday and travels to Collins on Saturday. The Panthers then head to Spencer

County next Tuesday.

PACERS LOSE TWO SLUGFESTS
Switzerland County scored 35 runs in two games but came away with two losses in a pair of contests with football scores earlier this week.
On Monday, Switzerland lost 19-16 in eight innings at home to South Ripley. On Tuesday, the Pacers lost 22-19 at home to Austin.
No stats for either game were available.
Switzerland, now 1-9 overall and 1-5 Ohio River Valley Conference,

hosts Clarksville on Saturday and travels to Milan on Monday.
REBELS NO-HIT AT RISING SUN
Southwestern was held without a hit in a 12-0 loss at Rising Sun on Wednesday.
The Rebels’ Chloey Leach allowed nine earned runs on 11 hits in two innings and suffered the loss. Savannah Childress pitched two scoreless innings in relief.
Southwestern, now 7-5 overall and 1-4 ORVC, travels to Brown County on Friday and hosts Christian Academy of Indiana on Monday.



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COURIER AREA SPORTS SHORTS

BY THE COURIER STAFF
— Southwestern hosted Shawe, Switzerland County and Rising Sun for a middle school track & field meet on Monday.

Southwestern seventh-grader Harper Green picked up two individual wins, including a victory in the 1600-meter run in 5:19.85, which would have broken the Southwestern High School varsity record by nine seconds. Green also won the 2400 run in 8:46.66.

Other winners for the Southwestern girls were: Kaylynn Warren, 400 dash, 1:08.28; Callie Farmer, 800 run, 2:47.80; Amelia Sloan, long jump, 12-7; Isabella Farmer, shot put, 25-9; and distance medley relay, 14:29.68.

Wins for Southwestern's boys were: Levi Franklin, 100 dash, 13.20; and distance medley relay, 14:29.71.

Top finishes for Shawe's girls were: Holland Kring, second, 800 run, 2:52.53 and third, 1600 run, 6:14.1.

Winners for Shawe's boys were: Sam Gish, 1600 run, 5:40.93 and 2400 run, 9:23.07.

Winners for the for Switzerland girls were: Maizlee Smith, 100 dash, 14.37; Aubrey Craig, 200 dash, 30.28 and high jump, 4-6; Laryssa Smith, 100 hurdles, 18.47; Madi Johns, discus, 64-11; 400 relay, 56.40; and 1600 relay, 4:47.10.

Winners for the Switzerland boys were: Aiden Greene, 200 dash, 27.49; Jason Volmer-Gibson, 400 dash, 1:00.37; Kyson Marklette, 110 hurdles, 19.68 and high jump, 4-10; Bryson Archer, long jump, 14-7; 400 relay, 53.61; and 1600 relay, 4:16.92.

— A number of local athletes earned awards

from the Ohio River Valley Conference last week.

Southwestern's Andrew Varble earned player of the week in baseball after collecting three hits and six RBIs in two games.

Southwestern's Savannah Nussbaum set two school records and Switzerland County's Madison Spillman won six events as they shared the award for girls track & field.

Switzerland County's Matthew Young earned athlete in boys track & field after three wins.

— Shawe suffered a 3-2 loss to Austin in junior high girls tennis Tuesday.

Juliet Gardner had an 8-4 win at No. 1 singles and Brylee Liter won 8-6 at No. 3 singles.

— Southwestern Middle School girls tennis dropped a 5-0 decision at home to Jennings County on Tuesday.

In singles, Olivia John-

son lost 8-3, Shaylee Cosby lost 8-0 and Bristol Bowman lost 8-2 while in doubles, Ella Spry and Molly Bruce lost 8-2 and Sydney Lutz and Aleeyiah Brooks lost 8-1. In exhibition matches, Akira Bruner Bowman each won 6-0 in singles, Josie Peck and Alyssa Etherton won 6-4 in doubles and Cosby and Brooks won 6-4 in doubles.

— Madison Junior High track & field competed in a dual meet at Columbus Central on Tuesday.

Winners for the Madison boys were: Paxton Garrett, 1600 run, 4:55.32; Distance medley relay, 12:53.01; and Alex Goley, pole vault, 6-6.

Winners for the Madison girls were: Tessa Renfrow, 100 dash, 12.86, 200 dash, 26.65 and 400 dash, 1:00.05; Mia Geyman, 100 hurdles, 17.84; and Anna Mahoney, pole vault, 6-9.



David Campbell

Southwestern seventh-grader Harper Green won the 1600-meter run during Monday's home meet. Her time of 5:19.85 would have smashed Southwestern High School's varsity record by nine seconds.

HANOVER ROUNDUP

Softball closes season with twinbill sweep

BY THE COURIER STAFF
Hanover College softball closed out the season with a doubleheader sweep at Anderson on Monday, winning 9-8 in nine innings and 7-6.

Hanover had 12 hits in the first game. Olivia Planck was 3-for-5 with a double and an

RBI, LauRie Harmless had three hits and three RBIs, and Southwestern's Ashley Fulton was 2-for-5 with a double and three RBIs.

Lulu Van Beek picked up the win with two innings in relief.

Harmless went 3-for-5 with a home run and three RBIs in the

game-two win. Sydnie Raisor had three hits, Madi Kammer had two hits and three RBIs and Fulton had a double.

Van Beek again picked up the win in relief.

Hanover ends the season with a 13-19 overall record and 9-9 Heartland Collegiate Athletic

Conference play.

BASEBALL FALLS IN FINALE
Hanover baseball closed out its season with a 10-0 loss to Anderson Monday at home.

Payton Hilfiker had a double for the Panthers and Eric Roudebush, Josh Simpson and

David Newbanks each had singles. Dylan Lloyd suffered the loss while Madison's Ashton Carie pitched a third of an inning in relief.

Hanover ends the season with a 15-24 overall record and 10-12 in the HCAC.

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Pacers edge Cavs 120-119 to take 2-0 series lead

BY JOE REEDY
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CLEVELAND — Tyrese Haliburton said he knows he's trusted to deliver in big moments.

In three straight playoff games, the Indiana Pacers guard has delivered when it has mattered most.

Haliburton made a 3-pointer with 1.1 seconds remaining as the Pacers scored the final eight points in 47.9 seconds to stun the short-handed and top-seeded Cleveland Cavaliers 120-119 on Tuesday night to take a 2-0 lead in their Eastern Conference semifinals series.

Haliburton scored 11 of his 19 points in the final 12 minutes. After Andrew Nembhard stole an inbounds pass by Cleveland's Max Strus with 27.5 seconds remaining, Indiana tried to find a potential tying 3-pointer before Haliburton drove inside and got fouled.

He made the first free throw, but missed the second. Haliburton got the offensive rebound and dribbled out to the 3-point line, where he made it

from the top of the key.

"I was (ticked) I missed the layup because I couldn't hang onto the ball, so I backed it out. I just saw Ty Jerome, top of the key and knocked it down," Haliburton said. "It's the NBA, crazier things have happened. That's just what basketball is. We don't give up and we're battle tested. We just find a way."

After making a layup with 1.3 seconds remaining in overtime to help the Pacers eliminate the Milwaukee Bucks, Haliburton has continued to hit key shots against the Cavaliers.

He scored 22 points in Sunday's 121-112 victory in the series opener, including a go-ahead 3-pointer midway through the fourth quarter.

"Obviously, we got lucky. Ty hit another amazing shot to win the game," Indiana coach Rick Carlisle said. "You don't see this very often, let alone

twice in one week. Tyrese, he came through again. We're very fortunate."

Myles Turner and Aaron Nesmith led No. 4 seed Indiana with 23 points apiece. It's the first time the Pacers have won the first two games of a playoff series on the road since a 1994 first-round set against Orlando.

Game 3 is Friday night in Indianapolis (TV: Live on ESPN at 7:30 p.m.).

Donovan Mitchell scored 48 points for Cleveland, who were missing three key players, including two starters. NBA Defensive Player of the Year Evan Mobley (left ankle) and key reserve De'Andre Hunter (right thumb) were injured in

Game 1, while Darius Garland (left big toe) missed his fourth straight postseason game.

"I feel like we outplayed them for the majority of the game and then towards the end we had our mental lapses. They

capitalized on every single mistake that we made," said Jarrett Allen, who had 22 points and 12 rebounds.

Mitchell scored 15 points in the third quarter as the Cavaliers built a 98-81 lead late in the period. But the Pacers rallied

with a 17-6 run to get back in it.

Cleveland looked as though it got some breathing room with 1:06 remaining when Max Strus hit a 3-pointer off an assist by

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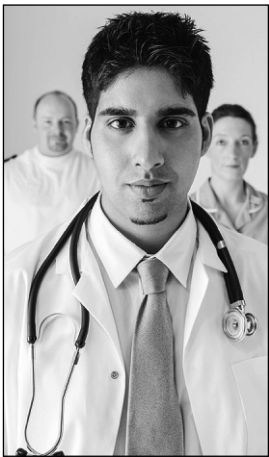
SOUTHWESTERN JEFFERSON COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL CORPORATION
Notice of Public Hearing on May 19, 2025
4:30 P.M.

Southwestern Jefferson County Consolidated School Corporation
239 South Main Cross Street
Hanover, IN 47243

On May 19, 2025, at 4:30 p.m., the Board of School Trustees of the Southwestern Jefferson County Consolidated School Corporation will meet to discuss and hear objections to and support for a proposed Superintendent contract. A summary of the proposed contract is as follows:

- **Base Annual Salary:** \$130,000
- **Performance Compensation:** The Superintendent will be evaluated at least once each school year. If the Superintendent receives an evaluation rating of either highly effective or effective, the Superintendent will be eligible for a base salary increase commensurate with increases provided to teachers.
- **Contract term:** July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2028 with options for extensions
- **Work Year:** 260 days
- **Paid Holidays/Paid Days Off:** Corporation scheduled holidays in addition to 20 vacation days and 15 personal days
- **Bereavement Leave:** 5 days
- **Health Insurance:** Eligible participation in the group insurance plans, including health, dental and vision for a family plan with the Corporation paying a portion of the premium, if elected, will reduce the base salary by \$5,000.
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- **Long Term Disability:** The Corporation provides long term disability insurance for the Superintendent
- **Teachers Retirement Fund (TRF):** The Corporation pays the Superintendent's statutorily required TRF contribution of the Superintendent's base salary plus the employer contribution
- **Tax Sheltered Annuity:** The Corporation shall contribute an annual amount equal to the contribution made for teachers pursuant to the collective bargaining agreement into tax sheltered annuity plan (401(a) and VEBA)
- **Retirement Benefit:** The Superintendent will receive an additional retirement benefit equal to two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) for each fully completed consecutive year of employment accumulated at the Southwestern Jefferson County Consolidated School Corporation as per the Retirement Benefits Resolution for Administrators.
- **Automobile Allowance:** Reimbursement for mileage incurred for Corporation business outside of the district at the federal mileage rate is determined by the IRS
- **Technology Stipend:** \$100.00 monthly stipend
- **Professional Dues and Conferences:** The Corporation will pay or reimburse the Superintendent for appropriate business and professional expenses approved by the Board. Appropriate expenses shall include the cost of membership and participation in state and national professional associations of educational administrators, and expenses related to the Superintendent's attendance at conferences, courses and other professional development activities that aid in the continued professional growth and performance of duties.
- **Other Benefits:** Other benefits provided to teachers pursuant to the terms of the collective bargaining agreement between the school and it teachers' association
- **Duties of Superintendent:** The Superintendent is required to provide full time duties and attention to the business of the School Corporation and not to outside activities unless specifically approved by the Board.
- **Indemnification:** The School Corporation will defend, hold harmless and indemnify the Superintendent in legal actions involving incidents in which the Superintendent was legally acting within the scope of employment.
- **Termination of Contract:** Language that provides multiple ways in which the Superintendent's contract may be terminated prior to the end of its term.

The complete proposed contract of the Superintendent will be available on the Southwestern Jefferson County Consolidated School Corporation's website and will be presented at the May 19, 2025, Public Hearing. After the hearing the Board of School Trustees has considered the public input, the Board will consider the adoption of the contract.



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CAUSE NO: 39D01-2504-MF-000344
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MEETING DATE: Tuesday, May 27, 2025, at 5:30 PM
MEETING PLACE: Madison City Hall, 101 W. Main Street Madison, IN 47250
A. Roll Call
B. Approval of Minutes
C. Review of Applications
· Tom McPherson – C. of A. to remove rear addition and replace with deck, extending porch, moving stairs. Location: 123 Jefferson St. Zoned: Central Business District (CBD)
· Judy Stacier – C. of A. to replace the garage with a two-story garage. Location: 518 E. Second St. Zoned: Historic District Residential (HDR)
· Bill Combs on behalf of James and Linda Edwards – C. of A. to replace shed damaged in storm with a new prefab shed. Location: 841 W. Third St. Zoned: R-8 Residential Medium Density (R-8)
· Susan Morrison – C. of A. to replace carport damaged in storm, with the same dimensions on the original concrete pad, with a small enclosure for storage at the back with one door. Location: 308 Madison St. Zoned: R-8 Residential Medium Density (R-8)
· Tom Godward – C. of A. to construct a new shed under the fire stairs, and to replace two side windows with glass block. Location: 408 Mulberry St. Zoned: Central Business District (CBD)
· David Fischmer – C. of A. to brick up two openings on alley side. Location: 412 Broadway St. Zoned: Historic District Residential (HDR)
D. New/Old Business
· Rules of Procedure Amendment
E. Staff Report
F. Adjournment
G. Next Meeting: Monday, June 23, 2025, at 5:30 PM
For the purpose of hearing those who are for or against said applications, a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, May 27, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. in City Hall, 101 W. Main Street, Madison, IN 47250.
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Brenna Haley, Historic Preservationist

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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF SWITZERLAN COUNTY, INDIANA.

Notice is hereby given that Eric Hagenauer was, on the 21st day of April, 2025, appointed personal representative of the Estate of Mark Hagenauer, Cause #78C01-2504-EU-000011, deceased, who died on the 26th day of July, 2022. All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Vevay, Indiana, this 22nd day of April, 2025.

Karin S. Dutkiewicz
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Switzerland County, Indiana

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF INDIANA
IN THE SWITZERLAND CIRCUIT COURT
CAUSE NO.
78C01-2504-EU-000012
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES W. CALLAHAN, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that on April 28, 2025, Shannon Long was appointed personal representative of the estate of James W. Callahan, deceased, who died on February 6, 2025.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

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Reds end 4-game skid

Friedl hits 2 homers as Reds overcome Greene’s groin injury

ATLANTA — TJ Friedl hit two home runs and the Cincinnati Reds beat the Atlanta Braves 4-3 on Wednesday night to snap a four-game losing streak despite losing right-hander Hunter Greene to a right groin injury after only three innings.

Greene struck out six batters and allowed only two hits in three scoreless innings. He was unable to complete his warmup before the fourth inning. Greene threw only two warmup pitches, including a pitch that hit the dirt, before stopping his routine.

The Reds provided no immediate details on the severity of the injury. Greene was escorted off the field with the Reds leading 4-0.

Left-hander Brent Suter (1-0) replaced Greene on the mound and gave up a fifth-inning homer to Braves rookie catcher Drake Baldwin.

Right-hander Emilio Pagan, who blew a save in the Braves’ 2-1 win in 10 innings on Tuesday night, pitched the ninth for his ninth save. Pagan gave up a two-out single to Michael Harris II before pinch-hitter Eddie Rosario struck out to end the game.

Right-hander Grant Holmes (2-3) gave up four runs on seven hits in 5 1/3 innings as Atlanta’s three-game winning streak ended.

KEY MOMENT

Friedl entered the game with only one homer before leading off the game with a blast off Holmes over the center field wall. Friedl led off the third inning with his third homer to almost the same spot, giving the Reds a 3-0 lead.

KEY STAT

Greene threw 114 pitches, the high mark for any pitcher in the majors this season, in his last start, a 6-1 win over Washington on Friday night. Greene had a season-high 12 strikeouts in the win.

Trade deadline additions impacting NHL playoffs

BY STEPHEN WHYNO
AP HOCKEY WRITER

Mikko Rantanen is showing exactly why Dallas was willing to pay such a hefty price to put him the roster. One of the players the Stars traded for Rantanen is also making a positive impact for his new team.

Nearly every team in the second round of the NHL playoffs is benefitting from moves they made at the trade deadline. That includes Toronto with Brandon Carlo and Scott Laughton; Florida with Brad Marchand and Seth Jones; Washington with Anthony Beauvillier; Edmonton with Jake Walman and Trent Frederic; Winnipeg with Brandon Tanev and Luke Schenn; and the Carolina Hurricanes also with Taylor Hall and Mark Jankowski.

One of those teams — or maybe Vegas, which made a move to get Reilly Smith back — will hoist the Stanley Cup in June and have a trade or two to credit for the journey.

The Stars and Hurricanes are co-Cup favorites according to BetMGM Sportsbook after making the biggest deadline deal: Rantanen to Dallas for Logan Stankoven, two first-round picks and a third-rounder to Car-



George Walker IV/Associated Press

Dallas Stars right wing Mikko Rantanen (96) chases the puck during the first period of an NHL hockey game against the Nashville Predators on April 16 in Nashville, Tenn.

olina. Rantanen has had a hat trick in each of the past two games — last weekend in Game 7 to knock out the Colorado Avalanche who traded him in late January and then in Wednesday’s series opener at Winnipeg.

“It’s a treat,” teammate Sam Steel said. “He’s one of the best players in the world and he’s just on fire right now, so we’re just trying to get him the puck.”

Stars coach Peter DeBoer said Rantanen had an easy transition. That may be an understatement, as the 28-year-old Finn leads the postseason with eight goals and 15 points.

“We all know how elite he

is,” Jets winger Nino Niederreiter said. “He’s really done it these last few games and throughout his whole career — always a fantastic player.”

That was the Hurricanes’ thinking when they sent Martin Necas, Jack Drury and two picks to Colorado for Rantanen in an unexpected, blockbuster trade more than a month before the deadline. Avalanche president of hockey operations Joe Sakic — who drafted Rantanen with the 10th pick in 2015 — heard after that move that the possibility of another trade back West was possible.

With the clock ticking

toward the deadline on March 7, first-year Hurricanes general manager Eric Tulskey made the most of the situation and dealt Rantanen to the Stars, who then signed him to an eight-year, \$96 million extension.

Rantanen is a playoff producer (101 points in 81 games before this spring, including helping Colorado win the Cup in 2022).

Carolina has gotten three goals this playoffs from Stankoven and three points from Hall, while Jankowski was a big reason for a perfect penalty kill in the first round.

“They’ve all helped in a lot of different ways on both sides of the puck,” captain Jordan Staal said. “Three great players that have really kind of solidified our lineup and played really well for us.”

So has Marchand for defending champion Florida, so far scoring at a point-a-game pace this playoffs. He and Jones felt welcomed right away.

“This team is built to want to win, and they have that drive,” Marchand said. “And when you walk in the room, everyone was really excited for each and every one of us to come in and be part of the group.”

PACERS

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Mitchell to put them up 117-110.

But the Cavs couldn’t hold on again as they committed two turnovers and the Pacers had a pair of offensive rebounds that led to points in the final minute. It’s

the first time Cleveland dropped its first two at home in the playoffs since 1996 in the first round against the Knicks.

“It’s hard to put all this in words,” Carlisle said. “Cleveland hit us with a hellacious punch early in the game. In the fourth, we just hung on. We maintained enough energy to get it done. Give the guys credit, they somehow found a way.”

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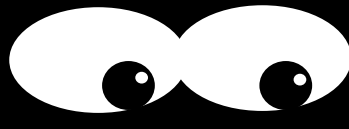
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